





## A QUARTER CENTURY AGO

Dr. J. A. Gage of the board of health says The Sun of just quarter of a century ago, "apprised before a committee of the legislature, yesterday, to ask that the word 'knowingly' be eliminated from most of the health laws in which it appears, as it affords a ready means of evading some of the laws in which it appears."

Dr. Gage who, by the way, was one of the most efficient and hardest working members of the board of health, started something when he went to the legislature concerning that tiny little word "knowingly" quarter of a century ago. In the case he won an important victory at once for he had the word "knowingly" eliminated from the law regarding the sale of impure milk, while on the matter which he had up most in mind, that of "boiled" as it was called, he caused the legislature to enact other laws and even at this late day they are still discussing this old subject.

Quarter of a century ago the local markets became flooded with what was popularly called "boiled veal," which was veal from a calf less than four weeks old when killed. Such meat was dangerous to health and yet, as it was sold. The law at that time stated: "Whoever sells or causes to be killed or knowingly sells or offers for sale, or has in his possession with intent to sell for food, veal of a calf when less than four weeks old shall be punished etc." The law provided that whoever killed, whether knowingly or not, would be guilty, while he who sold was guilty only when he sold "knowingly." As a result when several market-men were taken into court they all pleaded that they didn't know that the veal was less than four weeks old, and they all were found not guilty, and started the up again. Thus, Dr. Gage went to the legislature and as a result of his agitation, while the original law is still on the statute books, another was placed there which forbade the sale of any veal that would weigh under 40 pounds when dressed and provided a penalty therefor and the word "knowingly" was eliminated. But this failed to get at the original defect in the law for it was found that some veal less than four weeks old would weigh the required 40 pounds and more, while in some cases an older animal would weigh less when served up as veal. More recently, however, another law was enacted giving boards of health and their agents the authority to seize and destroy any veal exposed for sale which in their opinion came from a calf under four weeks old, but no penalty was provided for the dealers in such veal. Now, it is understood, the bureau of animal industry has another bill in the legislature concerning the "boiled" industry. But Dr. Gage did a great thing in having the bill, the law changed, for prior to that time if a dealer was found with milk below the standard, the burden of proof was on the city to show that he knew that it was. Now he is liable to fine simply for having it for sale, whether he knows of its deficient quality, or not.

## Corporation St. Andre

A prominent French-American society of quarter century ago, which was the Corporation St. Andre, which ten years ago became amalgamated with Les Artisans Canadiens-Français, and is now known as Branch St. Andre, A.C.F. The organization was established in Lowell 27 years ago, and The Sun mentioned its second anniversary as follows:

"Corporation St. Andre observed its second anniversary Thursday evening by a musical and literary entertainment, interspersed with speeches. Choruses were rendered by the Club La Vallee, under the direction of Philéas David, Jr. Misses L. L. and M. A. Calisse gave piano solos, and songs were rendered by Editor Alfred Bonneau, and F. Desjardins. Marianne Alme Gauthier of L'Etoile was the first speaker, followed by Editor Bonneau, J. S. Fourden and Councilman Louis P. Turcotte."

The Club La Vallee was a most popular organization of quarter of a century ago, devoted to music. It was succeeded by the famous Choeur Rossignol, which passed out of existence about a decade ago.

## Old Time Billiard Champs

Says The Sun of quarter of a century ago:

"Henri L'Heureux defeated Emil Probst for the billiard championship of L'Association Catholique, and was awarded a gold medal while Mr. Troost received a meerschaum pipe."

If one were to go down Merrimack street a few steps from the C.M.A.C. rooms he'd find some crack billiard players around the tables of Club Lafayette.

## Captain Connors' Retirement

Captain Charles Connors, for a number of years captain of the old Welch Guards, Company M, Ninth regiment, which was named in honor of the late Hon. John Welch, then a member of the senate, and prominent in state politics, resigned his post just quarter of a century ago, and after the occasion of his retirement was tendered a reception by the members of his command at the army at which he was elected to life membership of the company and was presented a purse of \$75. At the reception speeches were made by Inspector of Rifles Francis Breen of Lawrence and Ideals, Russell and Mitten. The latter afterward succeeded to the command of the company and was in

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## Growth of Milk Department

The municipal council this year has been asked for \$6115.74 by Milk Inspector Master, whose expenses last year were \$2960.59. The increase is largely due to legislative enactment for the benefit of the public at large, and over which the local authorities have no control. The subject of milk inspection has been demanding the attention of the health authorities and the law-makers for the past quarter of a century and law after law and rule after rule have been imposed all aiming to prevent disease by guaranteeing the consumer absolutely pure milk.

Quarter of a century ago the Sun had the following:

"Milk Inspector Allen is to be provided with the necessary apparatus for analyzing milk. The absence of such appliances has heretofore been quite a drawback to the prompt performance of the duties of the position. Mr. Allen recently learned that a first class laboratory could be established for his business for a sum not exceeding \$350. Major Fifield is in favor of the laboratory and there is considered to be no question that it will be provided."

The little laboratory was established for the major and when the new city hall building was opened he was established on the top floor where the department has remained ever since. The top floor of city hall is given entirely to the investigation and study of germs for the garret is divided between the milk inspection and bacteriological departments of the city. Up to the time of Major Allen's appointment by Mayor Fifield the position of milk inspector was on a pay with that of pound keeper or fish warden, though it paid about \$300 per year. Occasionally the milk inspector would take some samples and send them down to Mr. Irish at the high school for analysis when that gentleman devoted all his time to chemistry. But when Major Allen took the job he started in by making a study of milk and then gave his leisure time to special courses in chemistry until he had become a skilled practical chemist. He developed and built up Lowell's milk inspection department and that his ability was recognized was shown by the fact that he held his position down to the time of his last illness through all the changes of administration, in days when partisan politics ruled the roost. He was a worthy successor to Melvin Master, the present milk inspector.

A Little "Old Fashioned" Advice

Looking over The Sun of quarter of a century ago, in one of old fashioned days when "Lady Lookabout" and "As She Sees It" were in the "bit and bicker" class, I came across a reference to a sermon preached in Baltimore by Cardinal Gibbons, on the subject of marriage and divorce, and in the course of his remarks, the prelate said: "I said you were the queen of the domestic kingdom. If you would retain that empire shun the political arena, avoid the rostrum, the pulpit, and the platform, and above all, be ware of unsexing yourselves."

## Merrimack Street Depot

Says The Sun of quarter of a century ago:

"A new floor has been put on the Merrimack street depot. This does not indicate any intention on the part of the road to abandon the old structure."

Do you recall the dingy old place under Huntington hall? It was almost stifling with the confined smoke and no place for a man with asthma or bronchitis. Yet it had its good points for Larry McCrae, the celebrated Irish magician, kept a boothblack stand within and Jack Sullivan, the stalwart member of the police department, kept a barber shop on the Dutton street end, and between the two places one would hear all the news of the world from the creation thereof, down to JACK's candidacy for the common council in old wavy one. For years periodic attempts were made to get rid of the depot and finally a fire that left only the walls of Huntington hall helped the cause considerably. In those days Lowell had three depots, the present Middlesex street station, that at Merrimack street and the old Boston & Maine, on Central street, from the last

## THE OLD TIMER.

## MURDER EVERY MONDAY

## CHAUFFEUR CLARKE DIED FROM BLOW IN HEAD DURING QUARREL AT PROVIDENCE

PROVIDENCE, Feb. 23.—George W. Clarke, aged 25, of 2 Randall st., died at a hospital yesterday afternoon from a blow received during a quarrel in a garage on Allen's ave. and his alleged assailant, Bickley Dresser, is sought by the police.

Clarke was employed as a chauffeur and Bickley Dresser was his assistant. Dresser claimed he hit Clarke over the head with a jackstick during a quarrel. The latter sustained a fracture of the skull and lacerations of the scalp, the result of numerous heavy blows.

After hitting Clarke over the head with the jackstick, Dresser reported to Manager Ballou and then ran away.

The police recorded the killing as the regular Monday murder, there having been one here on nearly every Monday morning during the present month.

Clarke was married within a year to Miss Elizabeth Mullien of 212 Randall st., Pawtucket. He formerly lived at 34 Portland st., this city. He is survived by his mother, in Aponaugs; two brothers, Eugene and Robert, both of whom live with their mother.

## PRIEST STRICKEN AT MASS

Rev. Edward Downes, formerly New Haven City Clerk and United States Consul at Amsterdam

NEW HAVEN, Feb. 23.—Rev. Edward Downes, pastor of St. Mary's church at Mt. Carmel, was stricken with apoplexy while conducting mass. He recovered sufficiently to continue the service, but afterward members of his church found him in a serious condition in the vestry.

A physician was summoned and he was brought to St. Raphael's hospital. His condition is very serious.

Fr. Downes served two terms as city clerk at New Haven from 1888 to 1892. He was appointed United States consul at Amsterdam by President Cleveland, where he served four years. After leaving Amsterdam he went to Rome and studied for the priesthood. He is a graduate of St. Charles college at Baltimore and of the Yale law school at

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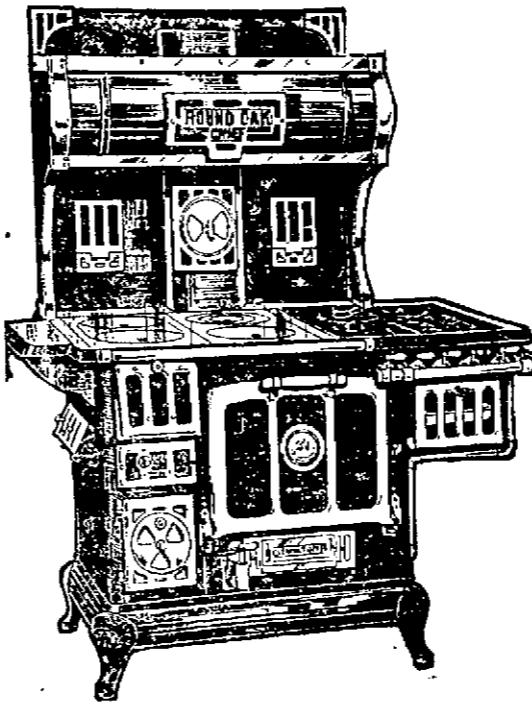
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## DARING ROBBERY

Mail Loot Set at \$200,000—Attempt to Take \$1,000,000.

NEW YORK, Feb. 23.—The theft of four valuable registered packages from a United States mail automobile truck in what appears to have been an attempt to steal at least \$1,000,000 in currency consigned to New York banks became known here yesterday.

The robbery occurred Saturday morning when the truck was entered while it was on a ferry bound from the Central of New Jersey Railroad station at Communipaw, N. J. to Liberty st., New York. The packages were stolen from mail pouches, three of which were from Washington and one from Baltimore.

Postoffice inspectors admitted that other pouches containing currency consigned to New York banks were on the truck and, while professing ignorance of the amount, said that such consignments frequently ran as high as \$1,000,000 and over. It is believed that this was the booty sought.

According to unofficial reports, one of the stolen Washington packages contained \$200,000.

Postoffice inspectors asserted they would be unable to make known the exact loss until they heard from the Washington and Baltimore senders of the packages.

The robbery, the inspectors said, was done by someone who had keys both to the mail truck and the pouches. No damage was done to the lock on the truck and the rifled pouches reached the postoffice undamaged. The inspectors announced expectation of arrests in the case in a few days.

## THE SEGREGATED BUDGET

BOSTON CITY COUNCIL CUTS ESTIMATES ABOUT \$2,000,000—TOTAL ON 3602 ITEMS

BOSTON, Feb. 23.—The much talked about segregated budget is at last in the hands of the city council for its consideration as a committee on appropriations. The budget contains 3602 separate items, running from a single item in John F. Deyer's public celebration appropriation to 123 in the fire department.

The original estimates of department heads were cut down by the mayor from \$17,112,560.61 to \$15,141,501.29. The grand total, including jail, Suffolk county etc., was estimated at \$22,424,131.59, cut by the mayor to \$22,365,666.93.

For the first time an appropriation is made for the printing department and the water service. In the past they lived on their incomes and saved money besides. Now a straight appropriation is made for both; also for the publication of the City Record. The income noted will be turned over after this to the city collector to be added to the general fund. The total allowed by the mayor for the conduct of these three departments is \$1,053,566.56.

Among the big cuts from the estimates are: Paying service, \$552; Park, \$51,000; overseers, \$40,000; placing out, \$47,000; health, \$50,000; fire, \$50,000; Consumptives hospital, \$50,000; all approximate figures.

The mayor sent a message with the segregated budget, pointing out that the departmental estimates were more than \$2,000,000 in excess of the amount allowed by the city to expand. He urged that with the possible exception of paving, the cuts made by him will not seriously impair the efficiency of the departments affected.

"It is accepted," he says, "that in everything save decent streets Boston is in the forefront of American municipalities, and it is the sincere desire of every citizen interested in the welfare of the municipality that a definite program be shortly established and visibly followed with reference to the construction of thoroughfares that will be sanitary and durable.

The public works department for the past six months has been planning a comprehensive street construction program, embracing a period of years, and all authorities are now in agreement that at once upon this important work, I realize that the expenditure of this large sum in any one year would prove an unbearable burden to the taxpayers.

"Recognizing the necessity for action, I have submitted to the legislature seeking the authority to add 50 cents for the next five years, to the

sets infantry. He was at one time assistant keeper at Sankaty lighthouse. He is survived by three sons, Simeon L. Jr., Israel M., and Edward B., and leaves numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren, all residents of Nantucket.

## HELD AS COUNTERFEITER

Kirishian, Recently of Boston, Unable to Furnish \$3000 Bail at Providence

PROVIDENCE, Feb. 23.—Kirkor Kelsjishian, alias Derderian, alias Gregory, alleged counterfeiter, pleaded not guilty before United States Commissioner Frank Healey yesterday and was held in \$5000 bail. He was remanded to jail to await trial.

Today he told the officials he came to this city from Boston about two months ago, and previous to living in Boston worked in Montreal.

Kelshian was surprised at a plant on Pine st Saturday afternoon and after a stiff battle was arrested.

## WAR VETERAN DEAD

Simon L. Lewis, Oldest Man on Nantucket, Died at Age of 93—Lived on Island All His Life

NANTUCKET, Feb. 23.—Simon L. Lewis the oldest male resident of Nantucket, died yesterday, aged 93 years. He was a native of Coluit but had lived on Nantucket since he was 5 years old.

Mr. Lewis was a veteran of the Civil war, serving in Co. H, 45th Massachu-</p



# MUNICIPAL COUNCIL MET

Jurors Drawn and Spanish War Men Heard—Contract of Swift-McNutt Co. Extended

At 10 o'clock this forenoon the members of the municipal council, who were holding a meeting to complete the appropriation matter, left the mayor's reception room and held a short business meeting in the aldermanic chamber. All members were present and a feature of the meeting was the voting of an extension of time to the Day Nursery to vacate its premises in Kirk street.

Mayor O'Donnell presided and at the opening of the meeting he called upon Commissioner Putnam to draw six traverse jurors for the civil session of the superior court which will open in this city on the first Monday in March, and the following names were drawn:

George N. Staples, 50 Sixth street, clerk.

Elzear R. Hebert, 772 Moody street, clerk.

Michael J. Donohue, 3 Brooks street, salesman.

Edgar G. Fay, 233 Stevens street, plumber.

George Dory, 179 Ludlam street, laborer.

Patrick J. Ryan, 1 Coward court, clerk.

A hearing was given on the petition of Charles T. Kilpatrick for the maintaining of a garage of 27 Maryland avenue and inasmuch as no one appeared in favor or in opposition to the petition, the matter was referred.

Eliaz S. Gilbert, Ferdinand Tremblay and Martin C. Butler were appointed members of coal and other articles, weighters of coal and other articles, Isaacs Surprenant, president of the South Lowell Improvement association petitioned for the laying of sewers in Woburn, Clifton and Acton streets and the petition was referred.

**Spanish War Veterans Protest**

Frank Dodge and Gilbert Hunt, two members of the Spanish War Veterans, appeared to protest against the appropriation of \$700 for the care of graves of deceased members of their organization and those of the G.A.R. in the local cemeteries. Mr. Dodge was the first speaker and he said that the organization he represents feels the municipal council did not understand the duty of caring for graves when they voted an appropriation of \$700 and out of this appropriation, a salary for the supervisor. There are numerous graves in St. Patrick's and Edison cemeteries which have not been cared for for many years and this means that it will take a large sum of money and a long time to place them in proper condition. The sum of \$700 is not enough after you have paid a supervisor, and by paying a supervisor out of this appropriation, it means a loss of money and time.

It was informed by the mayor that the supervisor may use his own time in looking after his work, and it does not seem right to us to pay a man for what little labor he can do during his spare time. If the supervisor is willing to give his efforts to the city free of charge, a lot can be accomplished with the money appropriated. There are over 700 graves in St. Patrick's cemetery that are in need of re-grinding and re-sodding. There also have the Edison and Lowell cemeteries and this work cannot be done in one year. There are very few Spanish War Veterans' graves to be looked after for the association has taken care of most of them.

In closing Mr. Dodge said that the sum appropriated will not accomplish great deal and if the council cannot see its way clear to add to the appropriation, it would be better to let the matter rest for a while.

Gilbert Hunt was then called and he said Mr. Dodge had practically covered the ground. He added that to put the graves in proper condition it would mean an expenditure of about \$11 per grave and \$700 including the pay of the supervisor will not go far toward this work. In concluding he said the city of Lowell is the only city in the Commonwealth to obey the law in this respect, and he said it will take at least \$2000 to do the work properly. No action as to the changing of the appropriation was taken.

**Swift-McNutt's Contract Extended**

Commissioner Donnelly informed the council that the Day Nursery was asking for another extension of time to vacate its premises in Kirk street and he said Mr. McNutt, of the Swift-McNutt Co., building wreckers, was

present in behalf of the Day Nursery and would be represented by Edward J. Tierney, Esq., Commissioner. Duncan said that Secretary Hill of the nursery had informed him that the officials of the institution were in a quandary to find a new place for the children of the home and he begged in behalf of the children for an extension of time.

Mr. Tierney said the Swift-McNutt Co. who he represents is willing to give the Day Nursery an extension of time providing the council will grant such an extension. He said the original contract of the company and the city will expire March 15 and the company is willing to take 30 working days more for the wrecking of the building.

At this point former City Solicitor Hennessy informed the council that an aged lady who is occupying the Pittsbury property has her effects all packed in the house, and has also a new place hired, but she cannot leave the building on account of being under the doctor's care, and he asked for an extension of time. It was finally voted to authorize the commissioner of public buildings to extend the contract of the Swift-McNutt Co. to May 1.

**Public Market**

Mayor O'Donnell read the acts of 1915 in reference to a public market and said according to the law Lowell must have a place designated as a public market on or before March 30, 1916. Commissioner Donnelly said Mr. Moore, a representative of the state agricultural board called on him yesterday for the purpose of talking over the public market matter. Mr. Donnelly said he suggested to Mr. Moore the vacant lot in the rear of the police station and the visitor examined the place and will return to Lowell March 25 for the purpose of inspecting other sites. The mayor suggested that Brookings street might suit the purpose. At this point the council adjourned to the mayor's reception rooms to finish up the budget.

## ITALIAN LINERS SAIL

**CLEARED ON ASSURANCES THAT THEIR ARMAMENT WAS FOR DEFENSIVE PURPOSES**

WASHINGTON, Feb. 23.—The Italian liners Giuseppe Verdi and San Giacomo at New York with mounted guns aboard, were ordered cleared today on assurances from the Italian government that their armament was for defensive purposes only.

## U-BOAT CAMPAIGN

**Continued**

Those assurances have not been modified by the announced intention to arm merchant ships of the enemy as auxiliary cruisers after midnight tonight and attempts to justify the new policy by presenting evidence and assertions designed to prove that Great Britain has instructed her merchantmen to use their armament for attack in violation of assurances given on the United States.

Official indication of what attitude the United States may take regarding the note was expected to follow the cabinet meeting. However, what is considered by Secretary Lansing as the all-important element in the situation as it now stands, is a copy of the so-called British instructions to shipowners to hunt for submarines which have not arrived from Berlin where they were handed to Ambassador Gerard. Pending their receipt a subsequent decision regarding the attitude of the United States, the state department is prepared to consider any overt act committed by the Teutonic submarine commanders in the light of the facts. The department, it was said, would not act upon the case of an American who sustained injuries aboard a vessel which it could be only established carried guns for offensive purposes. It was indicated in British diplomatic circles that the allegations of Germany would be flatly denied. It was said that British masters had not been instructed to hunt submarines; that they had been told to avoid the craft and that only in event of a submarine approaching without warning were the skippers authorized to use their guns.

The state department is understood to feel that the possibility of difficulties arising in the near future as a result of the new German and Australian policy is more or less remote. Officials believe that commanders of the under-sea boats will take particular care not to attack without warning armed merchant vessels upon which there may be Americans.

Secretary Lansing took with him to the White House a pouch, understood to contain the German memorandum and other papers relating to the case. The secretary said there was no justification for statements purporting to give the views of the state department on the situation. He refused to indicate whether the situation appeared more favorable or less since the receipt of the German memorandum.

It was indicated in well informed quarters that the president would insist on a strict interpretation of the rules of international law as applying to Germany's new submarine warfare.

Information forwarded from Berlin purporting to contain proof that the British admiralty had instructed captains of armed merchant ships to attack submarines had not arrived. Mr. Lansing said. The delay was believed to be due to conditions resulting from the war.

The statement pointing out that the state department had not made public anything regarding the latest German memorandum might be issued later, Mr. Lansing said.

**Secretary Lansing's Statement**

Secretary Lansing today issued the following formal statement:

"In view of the publication this morning of what purports to be the view of the state department on the communication received yesterday from the German ambassador, I wish to say that the contents of the communication have not been made public by me and that any statement as to the views of the state department on the communication are absolutely unauthorized."

"I have made no comment and ex-

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pressed no opinion in regard to the matter."

### ORDER EFFECTIVE AT MIDNIGHT

BERLIN, Feb. 28, 1 p. m., via London, Feb. 29, 12.10 p. m.—The Associated Press is informed by Germany's leading statesmen that the new rule of submarine warfare which was announced in the German memorandum regarding the future treatment of armed merchantmen will positively be put in effect at midnight of tomorrow, Feb. 29.

At that time the period of warning for neutrals, giving them opportunity to advise their nationals not to travel on armed merchantmen, will expire. For several days there has been some possibility that Germany might make an arrangement with the neutrals that she would discontinue practices of coal and sinks no merchant ships—freighters or passenger liners—without first halting the vessel for examination and putting the crew in a place of safety, as in the old style of naval war, if the allies would remove armament from merchantmen.

It was thought England might accept this proposition or that the United States and other neutrals would be convinced, if England refused, that she had no intention of discontinuing the use of armament for offensive purposes. This might possibly have given President Wilson proof that armament on merchantmen was not used purely for defense and thus enabled the president to reconcile the two conflicting viewpoints regarding the impropriety of merchantmen carrying armament and the impossibility of the United States altering the established law of nations.

Publication of President Wilson's letter to Senator Stone, however, apparently convinced Germany's leading statesmen that no assistance was to be expected from Washington in ending the present anomalous situation and that it was useless to make proposals the only result of which would be to give England more time to replenish her stores while a discussion was in progress at Washington and London. At least two of the highest officials directly concerned appear to be now convinced that Washington has no desire to embarrass Great Britain in the conduct of the war or to do anything which might permit Germany to use the submarine in warfare against commerce. Newspapers and the German public generally are printed for spectacular opening of the new submarine campaign. It may be depicted, however, whether the campaign will set in with such vigor and it would be no surprise if some time passed without an incident of such a character as to force the United States to act on President Wilson's declarations.

Such, at least, appears to be the leading German statesmen. They have little expectation that Pres. Wilson will change his attitude, even after the receipt of the justificatory evidence attached to the German memorandum in the form of appendices, which apparently were not contained in the American embassy's telegram giving the text of the memorandum itself and are being forwarded by mail. It is not believed that Americans will be warned from traveling on armed merchantmen or that adequate measures will be taken to see that armament is used only for defensive purposes. German statesmen apparently hope that by the exercise of a certain amount of circumspection matters may drift along for a time without conflict; that Americans of their own accord will avoid steamships belonging to belligerents, and that in such incidents as do occur it may be possible for Germany to prove that the ships in question violated rules of warfare and acted offensively.

Further than this their hopes do not extend.

## WORK ON ESTIMATES

*Continued*

The sum of \$800 was appropriated for the weighers department; \$500 for the moth department, \$300 for the sealer's department and \$400 for the license commission.

Commissioner Donnelly moved an amendment to the council's action of yesterday that the sum of \$50,000 instead of \$30,000 be allowed the public property department. Mr. Donnelly explained that because of increases in wages, which he could not overcome, it would be necessary to allow him \$50,000. A yeas and nays vote was called for and the motion was carried four to one, the mayor voting against.

### Mayor's Outburst

The next up was the comfort station and the mayor moved that \$500 be allowed, the amount asked being \$270. An increase in wages had also to be provided for in this instance, to which the mayor made vigorous protest, and addressing his colleagues said:

"You men are getting to be the slaves of municipal employees and I am going to say it whether you like it or not. It is an outrage on the part of Lowell. It is time we should stand up in our boots. Don't care for a few votes. The welfare of the public is more important. Let us have manhood enough to say 'no' to men who have only their own selfish interests at heart. If you are going to grant all the increases asked for you had better call this building the municipal employees' hall rather than city hall. No wonder the people are here to protect their interests become the slaves of the employees whose appetite for wage increase is never satisfied. If Mr. Donnelly will stand up in his boots and refuse these requests, he need not fear that the men who ask them will throw up their jobs. There is no danger of that."

"There is a sewer being laid in a street off Andover street today and that is another case of catering to the employee. The idea of laying a sewer in the frost is an outrage."

**Commissioner Morse Resents**

"I take objection to that," said Mr. Morse. "There is no frost over that. They have concrete to cut through, but no frost. The digging is just as good there today as any time."

"You know, Mr. Morse," came back the mayor, "that there isn't any necessity for starting that sewer while the frost is in the ground except to make work for a few men and to open land for the benefit of certain individuals. This city is getting to be politically ridden."

"I am not politically ridden, and I am not playing politics. I never asked a man to vote for me and I don't want it to appear that there is anything wrong in the conduct of my department."

As to the increase asked for by the men at the comfort station, Mayor Donnelly said that if when they took those positions janitors' pay had been allowed, as they now request, they would not have had the jobs as many who were higher on the civil service list would have taken them at that rate of pay.

"The payroll of the public buildings department is alone," continued the mayor, "is enough to bankrupt the city. It is only of late years that men have been employed the year round, and I repeat that we are getting in a position where we are working for the employees. We are not working for the people at all."

"There is no need for you, Mr. Mayor, to get excited over this matter," said Mr. Donnelly. "All that is necessary is to have a committee appointed to look into the increase asked for, but I believe in presenting their requests."

"I believe you lack the moral courage to stand up and say that the city can't afford it when increases are asked for," said the mayor.

**Mr. Donnelly Keeps Cool**

"I am responsible for my department, and I am not criticizing the conduct of your department, or any other department, and there is no occasion for excitement at all. I have presented the request of the men, and all that was necessary to say was that the city's financial condition will not admit of it," said Mr. Donnelly.

"I will welcome any criticism concerning the conduct of my department," said the mayor. "But I insist and repeat that this council is fast getting in the position of working for the employees rather than the people, and I shall raise my voice on every occasion when it appears to me that the welfare of the few rather than the many is receiving most attention."

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**The Park Department**

The sum of \$15,000 was asked for the park department maintenance, an increase of \$3000 over last year. The appropriation for the past five years has been \$12,000 a year. The mayor moved that the sum of \$14,000 be allowed for park maintenance, and it was so voted. Then came Stedman park, which is in a poor condition, and improvement for which \$2000 was asked. The mayor said there was not enough to bank the city hall, but the city hall was allowed.

"We must get the estimates in tomorrow, but we can still continue to discuss them," said Mr. Duncan.

"Why not finish the job now?" said the mayor.

Mr. Duncan moved that the sum of \$18,000 be allowed for city hall and it was so voted, the mayor voting against the wire department, and \$500 for the comfort station.

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## AMERICAN COMMERCE REPORTS

It is well to prepare against war as America is doing, but, after all, war is not a normal function of national life. Rage as it will, this great war must burn itself out in due time, and this country will have to prepare for the new world conditions which it will leave in its train. To this end the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce of the Department of Commerce is making practical preparations so that America may be ready to take every legitimate advantage in trade and commerce and may compete along scientific and efficient lines with all other manufacturing and productive powers.

The work of this most important government department is now being conducted on strict business principles, and the results are proving far ahead of expectations. Through the activities of consuls, special agents and commercial attaches in foreign capitals, America and American business systems are being better understood throughout the commercial world, and our business interests are kept in touch with the large opportunities that await American initiative and enterprise in new and extended foreign markets.

The Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce publishes consular and trade reports daily which are sent to the press of the country and to leading commercial and civic organizations. Private business is availing itself of these reports to a greater extent than formerly, for they are not only an index of general trade conditions but a stimulus to greater trade expansion. From time to time the departments also issue pamphlets and circulars setting forth special opportunities for the promotion of American business at home and abroad, and creating a healthy public interest in this timely movement.

Today there is a demand in all parts of the world for American foods, American machinery, American textiles, American shoes, American munitions of war, and a thousand and one other things. In a short time there will be a far greater demand for many of these commodities, as the world will look to the United States to supply materials for international reorganization. The Department of Commerce, through its efficient force of workers, will keep American business posted on these foreign demands all over the globe and the American public should avail of the service so faithfully conducted.

To those who look with the eye of imagination and who feel confidence in the industrial and commercial opportunity that awaits America, a typical publication of the government Department of Commerce is an inspiring document. A recent issue of the daily "Commerce Reports" had the following sub-headlines: Fisheries Bureau; Craft Lands; Tilefish; Fifeshire Linen Trade with United States; Inexpensive Jewelry for the Philippines; Sash and Doors for Italy; Australia's Income Tax Law; Imports at Rio de Janeiro; American Merchants in China; Elect Officers; Forecast of India's Oil-seed Crops; Spanish Co-operative Farm Colony Launched; Outlook for Canadian Lobster Fisheries; Paraguayan Market for Shoe Polishes; Restricting Alcohol; at Trieste; Mining Industry in Catalonia; Toy Trade of Spain; Tanning Materials in South Africa; Foreign Trade Opportunities, etc., etc. This list of titles, under each of which are practical suggestions for the advancement of American business, will convince even the superficial reader that the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce believes fully in commercial preparedness and puts its belief into practical

**SEEN AND HEARD**  
The best way to argue with a woman is to start your ears and your mouth full of cotton.

**THE HEART.**  
HOW IT ACTS IN EVERY DAY LIFE  
The human heart, in a healthy man weighs but eleven ounces. It beats from long before birth until death, in an average lifetime, about seven million times, allowing seventy beats to the minute. Every twenty-four hours this little organ performs labor equivalent to lifting a ton of material eighty feet into the air. If the blood becomes poor, and filled with poison from diseased liver or kidneys, the heart is not only starved, but poisoned. It soon becomes exhausted and unable to meet any extraordinary demand which may be made upon it. Supply pure blood; get the kidneys to work; tone up the feeble stomach; Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery purifies the blood, relieves the kidneys and tones up the alimentary canal. Give the heart the food it needs and it will continue to work till the natural end of life.

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hogany, and it was built in designs that are accepted as standard and that always shall be popular. Later came a period of black walnut and marble in amazing contraptions that outraged art and tried the patience of housekeepers. This style soon lost its intrinsic appeal and black walnut was not valued among the better class of American woods. Furniture dealers and manufacturers say that there is a growing demand for it again, and the south rejoices, for Georgia and neighboring states have large groves of this lumber. If built in better designs than formerly, black walnut ought to prove more acceptable than the cheap modern furniture that has neither beauty nor endurance. Black walnut is one of the most beautiful of American woods, and were it not for the excess to which designers went in the black walnut period, it never would have been relegated to the attic. Those who have stored away dining room sets or bedroom sets in the once discarded material will rejoice to hear that it is returning to popular favor.

## HOW LARGE A NAVY?

President Wilson declared a little while ago that America should have the largest navy in the world, and other prominent men have echoed his sentiments. The general opinion of the country seems to be, however, that it is not necessary for us to try and build up a greater navy than Great Britain. We might double our present navy in men and in equipment and we would not be equal to the present British navy, but this would give us a formidable navy for defense. Those who argue for an American navy larger than the largest forget that Great Britain might not be willing to let us exceed her. The history of recent years proves that when nations compete in armaments, the world is the loser. Let us have an adequate navy without striving to have the largest in the world.

## AT VERDUN

Reports from Verdun are contradictory but it is certain that the Germans are continuing their frantic struggle to capture it. In this connection a recent statement of Victor Murdoch is of especial interest. After landing in New York from an extended stay in the western theatre of war he declared that no side could wholly break through and that the great offensive would be undertaken only as a last resort by whatever side should first feel financial and economic pressure. He also predicted a Zeppelin attack on London on a large scale and the coming out of the German fleet from the Kiel canal in the last stages of the war. If he is right, Germany is feeling economic pressure and is risking all in a strong offensive that will either give her a longer lease of life in the field or will further deplete resources that she can ill spare.

During the hearing on this important bill before the legislative committee, the Boston chamber of commerce and many other kindred organizations expressed their approval of the principles of the bill, and suggested minor amendments which would not change its general character. The committee from the Boston body recommended an income tax of two per cent on the income from occupations and professions instead of one and one-half.

There is an agitation on foot for an amendment to the corporation tax law which at present operates unequally and while robbing the state of legitimate income also operates against many business interests. A special commission has been suggested so that such an important question may be settled in justice to all and without resort to extreme measures that might drive some classes of corporations out of the state. To be satisfactory the present agitation for tax reform should not stop until the entire question has been settled on a more up-to-date basis than now exists.

## WAR TAKES BEST

Wise Oliver Goldsmith said in famous lines in "The Deserted Village" that though princes and lords may rise or fall, their fate does not affect the nation like the fate of a bold peasantry, their country's pride, which, once destroyed, can never be supplied. He spoke of economic destruction and emigration, but now truly his words apply to world conditions today! By tens of thousands the war is wiping out not only the bold peasantry of England, France, Germany, Russia and the rest, but their picked men—the students, thinkers, professional men, the scientists, and specialists of every sort.

The Cambridge University Review, Cambridge, England, shows this in a poignant way. The normal enrollment is more than 3000, and for decades the great institution has been filled to capacity. This time last year the membership was 1227; now it is only 665. What shall it be next year, should the war continue? At the time of making the report, 700 graduates and undergraduates had given up their lives, and hundreds of other students and graduates are in deadly peril. Yet, this is but one university of scores that have sent their bravest and best to the shambles.

The best manhood of France is now defending Verdun, and the best manhood of Germany is being recklessly squandered in the struggle to take it. No wonder that the thinkers of all nations should hunger for an International tribunal of law to do away with the wanton slaughter, the human sacrifice offered up to God and their country.

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found it hard to disdain so kindly an offer, and, with a gracious smile, the lady held her foot upward.

The little boy pulled the lace tight and then smiled up at her.

"My mother's fat, too," he explained pleasantly.

**And Makes You Look Pale**

Upon the eve of the annual meeting of the Kentucky Educational Association another story of the public schools may not come amiss, says the Louisville Times. This one is said to have happened at the Washington school, where part of the original work was definitions of familiar things.

"Johnny Jones, what is water?" asked the teacher.

For the moment Johnny was stumped. Only for the moment, though, for he triumphantly answered: "Water is what turns black when you put your hands in it."

## SIGNS OF SPRING

A Haverhill writer thus reports: "On February 29, between Lawrence and Lowell, at 11:30 a. m. I saw a white headed eagle. It was perched in a tree with its head thrown forward and its beak on its breast."

"When I came back at 5:30 p. m. the eagle was in the same place and in the same position."

"Is there any reason for that, or was it a coincidence?"

"Also, on the same trip, we came upon a flock of about eight pheasants that were so tame that the car had to stop and some one 'shot' them off the track."

"Up near Lowell were a great many wild ducks, black and white ones, and brown, swimming about in the river. They did not seem to mind the cars."

## LUKE MC LUKE SAYS:

No matter how much money a man has, his wife always wishes he was getting at least \$10 more per week.

Most of the princesses seem to imagine that refinement means turning your nose up at other people.

Every baby inherits its good disposition from its mother and its bad temper from its father.

Why is it that your girl always has a musical laugh while other girls merely giggle and cackle?

Most of the men in the condemned cells who are waiting their turn in the chair are wearing a more cheerful expression than the girl who has been engaged for four times and failed to make the suckers stay put.

## FUTILITY

All morning I've worked on a love tale.

A sweet little thing 'was to be—But the rhythm and rhyme wouldn't do it!

Nor the names and the meters agree.

The hero was highbrowed and hand-some.

The heroine lusciously sweet—But when in verses I'd chance 'em.

Fell over their feet.

Or times out of count, when enamored

Of tales of a tropical that,

I've blotted and sweated and hammed.

To them, look thusly in print.

Or them, when the plot to encompass

Were perfectly easy, you know—

But Pegasus kicked up a rumpus

And crabs the whole show.

I get them all ready for wedlock,

I snare them right into the church—

Then the syllables get in a deadlock.

And the lady is left in the lurch!

The choir will start in hoarse singing.

The grooms takes his last, bracing

drink—

Then the slip sets the whole vision spinning.

As quick as a wink!

As I said, I worked hard to deliver

My brain of a love-tale today.

When I told the whole thing was a fiasco.

I started explaining—and say—

There was even a point when I started

These alibi stanzas, I vow.

There was, but the whole thing's de-parted—

It isn't there now!

—Ted Robinson in the Cleveland Plain Dealer.

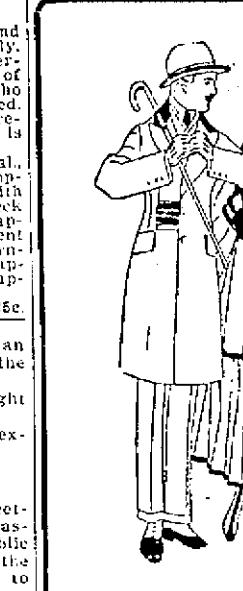
One of the striking examples of the

versatility of the capable Englishwoman is her present employment as truck driver. Practically all the motor trucks used for commercial purposes in England are now being driven by women.

CHICAGO, Feb. 29.—Assuming that the Eaton-Rowe graft controversy was a minor event compared to revelations which he would make, Seymour Stetman, attorney for Mrs. Walter Page Eaton, former head of the social welfare department, who has charged she has been compelled to give up part of her salary for the benefit of a member of Mayer William Hale Thompson's family, yesterday declared he would bring forth a witness who would reveal extensive salary splitting in the city hall.

Yesterday's hearing of the Eaton-Rowe case developed little of interest.

Charles FitzMorris, Mayor Thompson's secretary, was the only witness and he testified that the mayor had ordered that no campaign contributions be assessed by department heads. The hearing, which was before the civil service commission, was adjourned to Friday.



## Overcoats for \$12.50

There is a very attractive collection of Fancy Box Overcoats, exceedingly smart, form fitting coats, in oxford and blue, both of these winter weight; we add some Spring Overcoats, conservative cut, black and oxford. First prices for the Overcoats were \$23, \$20, \$18 and \$15, all now

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## HIS SKULL FRACTURED

## SERIOUS ACCIDENT TO JAMES F. HERLEY ON MERRIMACK SQUARE YESTERDAY

James F. Hurley, aged about 55 years, a former policeman, is in a critical condition at the Lowell Corporation hospital suffering from a fracture of the skull sustained late yesterday afternoon when he fell on the sidewalk in front of the Hildreth building in Merrimack square. Mr. Hurley, a powerfully built man, and his wife, were walking through Merrimack square when he slipped and fell, landing on the back of his head. He was taken into a store and then removed in the ambulance to the hospital. Mr. Hurley has been employed by the John Dennis Machine company for several years and resides at 782 Moody street.

## PRESENTED A PLAY

Girls' Friendly Society of St. John's Church gave splendid performance of "The Voice of Authority."

The Girls' Friendly Society of St. John's Episcopal church last evening presented a pleasant concert of plays, entitled "The Voice of Authority," in the hall in the parish house. The hall was filled with friends of the society, who showed their appreciation of the work of the amateur actors by frequent applause.

BOSTON, Feb. 29.—Fire caused damage of \$2000 last evening in the four-story brick building at Central and India streets. It was an hour after the alarm had sounded before the "all out" was registered. The fire started in the cellar near the stairway on the India street side of the structure, the entrance to which is at No. 11, and raced up to the second floor before the firemen stopped it.

In the cellar the fire mushroomed into the basements of 52 and 52A Central street, penetrating the first floor at the latter address, which is occupied by the Carter Macey Tea company. The fire ran along the stairway to the plant of the Falcon Press on the second floor of the building.

Sturbridge was the fire, only one alarm from box 1255 was sent in and the crew

## LOWELL FIVE WON OUT INDOOR TRACK MEET

DEFEATED CENTRALVILLE A.C. IN SECOND GAME OF CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES

The Lowell Five defeated the Centralville A.C. by a score of 28 to 24 last night in Associate hall in the second of a series of games to be played between these two teams for the championship of the city. Inasmuch as the C.A.C. won the first contest the supremacy is waxing warm. The game was hard fought throughout and it was anybody's game up to the time of the blowing of the whistle at the end of the third period.

The Centralville quintet started in well and at the end of the first period the score was 8 to 7 in their favor and at the end of the second period the boys from across the river were seven to the good but in the last period the Lowell Five showed signs of life and came out victor by four points.

Clark, Grant and Finn excelled for the Centralville Five while Lecasse, Hollansbee and Lew were in the points for the winning team.

The lineup, score and summary:

Lowell Five—28  
24—Centralville A.C.  
Lecasse, lb. .... rf. Grant  
Hollansbee, rb. .... lf. Clark  
McMahon, c. .... c. Finn  
Lew, lf. .... rh. Renkert  
Costello, rf. .... rb. McPherson, Brennan.

Centralville, 24. Goals by—Renkert, Clark, 6; Hollansbee, 3; Plan, 2; Costello, 6; Grant, 2; Lecasse, 3; Lew, 2. Foul: Lowell Five, 7; Centralville, 12. Time: Three periods of 15 minutes. Scorer: Gerard Steen. Referee: William Wilson.

A LYNN PAPER SAYS:

Lo, poor Jawn Donnelly of Lowell. Donnelly launched a campaign for the presidency of the New England League last summer, and shifted to the Eastern league when that organization was sanctioned by the national board.

Ever since last summer Donnelly and his campaigners have been working. And the campaigners ate, drank, and were exceedingly merry on his behalf. He has attended every New England and Eastern League meeting and wherever he went his friends gathered and were his guests. Roughly figured, Donnelly is at least 600 semoleons a loser besides loss of time, worry and grievous disappointment which cannot be reckoned in a monetary sense. But he was a rare good speaker and none of the merger men who might voice for him went hungry, thirsty or smocked when Jawn was around.

Whenever he blew into a New England league session the Donnelly cohorts ate and drank copiously, smoked real Havanas and imported cigarettes and when the waiter brought around the bill it was John Donnelly, good fellow, who settled. Now he will settle down to being a common every day man. He made two trips down into the eastern association, the last of which was just before the Springfield meeting, trying to dig up the necessary votes to win. If Jawn could have used all the promises made to him, he could be sitting on the Eastern League throne today instead of Timothy H. Durane, whose expenses have been so slight that he never had to pay out a nickel even for cigars.

BOWLING NEWS

The Centralville Five and Dooley's Milkmen of the Kittredge league split honors on the alleys last night, each team winning two points. The Milkmen took the first two strings and it looked as if they were to capture all four points, but their opponents got going in the third string and winning it by a margin of 78 pins also captured

the total pin-fall. Ward of the Centralville Five was high man with a triple of 330.

In Cari's league the Congress club won four points from the Finnish Shell.

A triple of 300 by Burns of the winning aggregation was the best score made during the evening.

The score:

Centralville Five

Montgomery .... 91 91 80 262

S. Silcox .... 100 82 86 268

Curtin .... 97 90 112 299

Ward .... 90 107 133 330

Pierce .... 94 91 107 299

Totals .... 472 461 513 1451

Dooley's Milkmen

Dooley .... 103 99 92 296

Brown .... 109 97 80 285

Osterman .... 111 97 102 310

Smith .... 90 82 85 288

Tyler .... 91 89 80 261

Totals .... 506 465 440 1414

CARR'S LEAGUE

Congress Club

O'Loughlin .... 90 111 98 250

Snow .... 91 51 92 264

Krane .... 95 95 87 278

Burke .... 85 114 90 292

Burns .... 83 109 117 300

Totals .... 438 501 475 1444

Finish Shell

Reynolds .... 95 84 95 274

Rodney .... 84 71 75 212

Ward .... 85 92 100 270

McCarthy .... 88 92 100 274

Finnegan .... 83 104 87 252

Totals .... 433 448 448 1329

LADIES' LEAGUE

Three good games were played in the Ladies' Bowling league last night. The Salem A.C. Girls were in fine form and won four points from the Fairmount Girls. Mrs. McHugh of the winning team being the high roller.

The game between the American House Girls and the Woodbine Girls was well contested, the former team winning three points and the total pin-fall by the narrow margin of two pins.

The Ottobe Girls, leaders of the league, won three points from the Siletta Girls. The score:

Senior

Wednesday, March 1, at 8:30: 60-yd. potato race, running high jump, 12-lb. shotput.

Friday, March 3, at 5:30: 220-yd. potato race, standing broad jump, fence vault. Eight men must qualify in each event to have full score count.

Junior

March 4th: Unlimited Weight Class—Events, 3 potato race, standing broad jump, 5-lb. shotput, 8 potato race, running high jump, fence vault.

125-lb. Class—2 potato race, standing broad jump, 8-lb. shotput, 6 potato race, running high jump, fence vault.

110-lb. Class—2 potato race, standing broad jump, snap under bar, 5 potato race, running high jump, target throw.

Saturday, March 11th—95-lb. Class—1 potato race, standing broad jump, snap under bar, 4 potato race, running high jump, target throw.

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Ottobe Girls

Mrs. Hollington .... 84 71 70 225

Mrs. Jackson .... 75 70 70 235

Mrs. Donovan .... 84 70 70 235

Mrs. Wentworth .... 64 70 70 237

Mrs. Peabody .... 81 72 70 245

Totals .... 358 372 305 1155

That Daloy Half Dozen

The Boston match between Archie

Walsh, champion candle pin

bowler of New England, and "Chet"

Martel, of this city, for \$200 a side and

the championship of New England,

which is to take place on the Jewel

alleys in this city tonight, is attracting

wide-spread attention in bowling

circles throughout New England, espe-

cially in the eastern section where

both players are well known. Hun-

dreds of bowling enthusiasts are ex-

pected to be present and in order to

accommodate them the management of

the alleys has erected bleachers which

will give all present an unobstructed

view of the game.

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## HELD IN \$100,000

J. Grant Lyman Held on Charge of Using Mails to Defraud

TAMPA, Fla., Feb. 28.—J. Grant Lyman was held today in \$100,000 bail for arraignment tomorrow on the federal indictment returned in New York charging him with using the mails to defraud. Lyman declared he was not the man wanted.

## BLANKET INDICTMENT

CONG. BUCHANAN, LAMAR AND THE MEMBERS OF PEACE COUNCIL ACCUSED

NEW YORK, Feb. 28.—Testimony that a blanket indictment was voted against Congressman Frank Buchanan, other members of the National Peace council, and David Lamar, after a list containing their names had been handed the federal grand jury by Assistant United States Attorney Sartorius, was given today before the congressional committee investigating impeachment charges against United States Attorney General. The impeachment of Mr. Marshall for improper conduct was demanded by Congressman Buchanan just prior to his indictment. The indicted men are accused of conspiring to instigate strikes in American munition factories in the interests of Germany.

The three witnesses who were examined before the mid-day recess all denied emphatically any improper conduct on the part of Mr. Marshall.

JOHN J. POWERS DEAD

NEW BEDFORD, Feb. 28.—John J. Powers, a real estate dealer and prominent politician, died this afternoon.

ADD WAR

Miss Frances Danmore, expert in the red man's lore, has spent years collecting phonograph records of tribal songs for the United States Museum.

**It Suits Them All**

The Household Page for the women.

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## TO STRENGTHEN NAVY

NAVY GENERAL BOARD'S CONCEPTION OF NEEDS OF UNITED STATES AS NAVAL POWER

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28.—The navy general board's conception of the needs of the United States as a naval power was outlined to the house naval committee today by Rear Admiral Austin M. Knight, president of the navy war college.

In formulating the policy that the navy should equal the strongest effort by 1925, he said, the board had in mind the establishment of two fleets, one in the Pacific, powerful enough to overcome any enemy there, and the other in the Atlantic where it would be exceeded in strength only by the British fleet. A total force slightly in excess of the strength of the British fleet, he said, would accomplish this purpose and insure the country against ninety-nine out of 100 possibilities of international complications.

## THE TITANIC MEMORIAL

POSSIBLE STRIKE AT QUINCY MAY DELAY DELIVERY—WEIGHS TEN TONS

QUINCY, Feb. 28.—The Titanic memorial, designed by Mrs. Harry Payne Whitney as a tribute to the memory of the heroes who gave their lives in the great ocean disaster that women and children might live, is now completed and was viewed yesterday by 800 persons at the establishment of John Hirsh, the sculptor.

Much apprehension is felt regarding the shipment of the gigantic memorial, however, for a granite workers' strike is impending, and if the strike is called March 1 it may be many weeks before the memorial can leave Quincy.

Under the most favorable circumstances it will take a month to pack and crate the memorial to insure it against damage. It weighs 10 tons and cost \$40,000. It will be on exhibition all the week here. The strike will probably be decided tonight.

The strike is still on, but the members of the workers' guilding the memorial to Washington. Pennsylvania railroad is trying to design a special car that will be capable of carrying it, but if such a car cannot be provided it will be necessary to have it drawn to Boston by team, thence sent by boat to the Potomac and transhipped up the river by lighters.

## GIRL ADMITS MURDER

FIFTEEN-YEAR-OLD BRIDE ASSESSES VICTIM WRONGED HER-HELD WITH HUSBAND

FORT WORTH, Tex., Feb. 28.—The grand jury today began investigation of the confession alleged to have been made by Mrs. Katherine D. son, 15-year-old bride of Chast, Harrison, who shot and killed W. C. Warren, a hotel proprietor, who, she charged, had wronged her before her marriage. She became the bride of Harrison, who is twenty years old, two days after Warren's body was found in a road near here, Dec. 22, 1915.

Harrison and his wife, who on Saturday night were charged with murder, are at liberty under \$2500 bonds.

Mrs. Harrison's alleged confession was made, according to the police to clear a man held in connection with the case. Her husband was held, it is said, because he was in the automobile in which his wife invited Warren to ride and from which she is said to have shot him.

## WAR CAUSES DECLINES

NEW YORK, Feb. 28.—Reports of fresh complications in the international situation and the further success of the Teutonic forces in France caused severe declines in the stock market today. Losses in standard shares ranged from 2 to 3 points; war issues lost 4 to 6, and some of the more obscure stocks were lower by 10 to 15 points.

Further unsettlement was caused by the rumors affecting Mexico and heavy selling of Anglo-French bonds, which established a new low quotation at 53 1/2.

There were some material recoveries in the final hour, the improvement coinciding with rumors that Germany had agreed to modify its submarine program.

## STRIKERS BACK AT WORK

DENVER, Colo., Feb. 28.—State industrial commission members following visits to Pueblo and Leadville where strikes of smelter employees for higher wages were reported yesterday, announced today that the situation was relieved at both places and that work had been resumed pending an investigation and report by the state authorities.

The state law, requiring thirty days' notice of intention to call a strike or lockout, was explained by the commissioner who told the men that they are required to continue work pending an investigation of their alleged grievances.

## DEBATE SHIELDS BILL

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28.—Debate on the Shields bill to provide for water power grants on navigable streams to private interests was resumed in the senate today. Senator Husting of Wisconsin was ready to offer a substitute for the bill which he claims will safeguard the public interest and prevent monopoly of water power facilities.

The cry of "lobby" in connection with the Shields bill already has been raised by Senator Norris of Nebraska, who charges that it is the strongest seen at the capitol in years and that it is composed of representatives of the water power trust which has its headquarters in Wall street.

## CARD OF THANKS

We, the undersigned, wish to extend our sincere thanks to our many kind relatives and friends, who by their acts of kindness, words of comfort and sympathy, have been helpful to us in our bereavement. In the loss of our dear sister, Mrs. Margaret Condon, also to Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Condon, whose names were unintentionally omitted from the list of our offerings. We will ever hold the same in loving remembrance.

Miss Mary A. and Daniel Corr, Mrs. John Ryden.

## WHEAT PRICE CUT DOWN

CHICAGO, Feb. 28.—Unhappiness over the strained relations between Germany and the United States cut down the price of wheat today 5 cents a bushel. Selling out of holdings caused a big aggregate.

May wheat, which closed Saturday at 143 1/2, touched 103 1/2 just before today's finish. Last sales were 103, a net decline of 4 1/2 cents.

## Stock Market Closing Prices Feb. 28

FOR COMPLETE REPORT OF TODAY'S CLOSING PRICES SEE LATER EDITION

## NEW YORK MARKET

Stocks High Low Close  
Allis Chalmers ... 23 1/2 23 1/2 23 1/2  
Am Best Sugar ... 61 1/2 61 1/2 61 1/2  
Am Can ... 61 1/2 61 1/2 61 1/2  
Am Car pf ... 110 1/2 110 1/2 110 1/2  
Am Car & Fr ... 63 1/2 63 1/2 63 1/2  
Am Car & Fr pf ... 117 1/2 117 1/2 117 1/2  
Am Coal ... 52 1/2 52 1/2 52 1/2  
Am Ind & L Co pf ... 43 1/2 43 1/2 43 1/2  
Am Locomo ... 70 1/2 68 1/2 68 1/2  
Am Smelt & R ... 97 1/2 97 1/2 97 1/2  
Am Smelt & R pf ... 112 1/2 112 1/2 112 1/2  
Am Sugar Rfn ... 112 1/2 112 1/2 112 1/2  
Anaconda ... 81 1/2 81 1/2 81 1/2  
Anheuser Busch ... 101 1/2 101 1/2 101 1/2  
Archbold pf ... 104 1/2 104 1/2 104 1/2  
Baldwin Loco ... 104 1/2 104 1/2 104 1/2  
Balt & Ohio ... 56 1/2 56 1/2 56 1/2  
Balt & Ohio pf ... 75 1/2 75 1/2 75 1/2  
Beth Steel ... 45 1/2 45 1/2 45 1/2  
Bk Ray Tran ... 85 1/2 85 1/2 85 1/2  
Cal Ind pf ... 25 1/2 25 1/2 25 1/2  
Canadian Pa ... 167 1/2 165 1/2 165 1/2  
Cast L Blue Com ... 17 1/2 18 1/2 17 1/2  
Cent Leather ... 53 1/2 51 1/2 51 1/2  
Ches & Ohio ... 62 1/2 60 1/2 61 1/2  
Chi & Gt W Com ... 34 1/2 34 1/2 34 1/2  
Chi & Gt W pf ... 12 1/2 12 1/2 12 1/2  
Citicorp ... 23 1/2 22 1/2 22 1/2  
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Consol Gas ... 130 1/2 130 1/2 130 1/2  
Corn Products ... 21 1/2 20 1/2 21 1/2  
Corn Products pf ... 36 1/2 36 1/2 36 1/2  
Cruelie Steel ... 66 1/2 66 1/2 66 1/2  
Del & Hud ... 148 1/2 147 1/2 147 1/2  
Del & W ... 216 1/2 216 1/2 216 1/2  
Dixie Car Co ... 153 1/2 144 1/2 144 1/2  
Erie ... 26 1/2 24 1/2 25 1/2  
Erie 1st pf ... 51 1/2 50 1/2 51 1/2  
Gen Elec ... 168 1/2 166 1/2 166 1/2  
Goodrich ... 70 1/2 68 1/2 68 1/2  
Gt North pf ... 129 1/2 129 1/2 129 1/2  
Gt N Ore pf ... 32 1/2 31 1/2 31 1/2  
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Mex Petroleum ... 100 1/2 94 1/2 94 1/2  
Missouri Pa ... 54 1/2 53 1/2 53 1/2  
N.Y. Air Brake ... 141 1/2 138 1/2 138 1/2  
N.Y. Central ... 104 1/2 103 1/2 103 1/2  
Nor & West ... 116 1/2 115 1/2 115 1/2  
Nor Am Co ... 69 1/2 67 1/2 67 1/2  
North Pacific ... 112 1/2 111 1/2 111 1/2  
North & West ... 22 1/2 22 1/2 22 1/2  
Pennsylvania ... 57 1/2 56 1/2 56 1/2  
People's Gas ... 102 1/2 102 1/2 102 1/2  
Pitts Coal ... 30 1/2 29 1/2 29 1/2  
Pressed Steel ... 52 1/2 51 1/2 51 1/2  
Putman Co ... 162 1/2 162 1/2 162 1/2  
R.R. Sp Co ... 10 1/2 9 1/2 9 1/2  
Rep Iron & S ... 51 1/2 48 1/2 48 1/2  
Rep I & S pf ... 110 1/2 110 1/2 110 1/2  
St. Paul ... 93 1/2 93 1/2 93 1/2  
St. Louis & Shf ... 55 1/2 55 1/2 55 1/2  
So. Pacific ... 58 1/2 58 1/2 58 1/2  
Southern Ry pf ... 57 1/2 57 1/2 57 1/2  
Studebaker ... 111 1/2 108 1/2 108 1/2  
Tenn Copper ... 58 1/2 55 1/2 55 1/2  
Texas Pac ... 74 1/2 74 1/2 74 1/2  
Third Avia ... 60 1/2 59 1/2 59 1/2  
Union Pacific ... 128 1/2 128 1/2 128 1/2  
U.S. Alcohol ... 146 1/2 145 1/2 145 1/2  
U.S. Ind ... 50 1/2 49 1/2 49 1/2  
U.S. Rub pf ... 107 1/2 107 1/2 107 1/2  
U.S. Steel ... 82 1/2 81 1/2 81 1/2  
U.S. Steel pf ... 116 1/2 115 1/2 115 1/2  
U.S. Steel ss ... 101 1/2 101 1/2 101 1/2  
U.S. Steel upper ... 32 1/2 31 1/2 31 1/2  
Va. Charcoal ... 45 1/2 43 1/2 43 1/2  
Westinghouse ... 61 1/2 60 1/2 60 1/2  
Western Un ... 88 1/2 87 1/2 87 1/2

## DECLINES AT OPENING

SELLING IN MODERATELY HEAVY VOLUME — FURTHER DECLINES IN LAST HOUR

NEW YORK, Feb. 28.—Selling of stocks in moderately heavy volume was resumed at the opening of today's market, advices over the week end causing further unsettlement and providing the short interest with fresh ammunition. Declines ranged from 1 to 2 points in such issues as Marine pf, leading coppers, Crucible and Lackawanna Steels, Baldwin Locomotive, Air Brake and Studebaker. Substantial fractional recessions were registered by other active stocks including petroleums and U. S. Steel. Rallies of 1 to 1 1/2 points occurred in secondary dealings.

The rally in specialties was short, lived, steady offerings sending the general list below opening prices before the end of the reverish first hour in which some 250,000 shares changed hands. The only noteworthy exception was Reading, which rose over 2 points while prices elsewhere were displaying greater weakness. Mexican Petroleum and American Smelting were especially affected by report of fresh trouble in Mexico. Losses of 3 1/2 to 6 1/2 points were scored by Industrial Alcohol, St. Louis & San Joaquin, Pittsburgh Coal pf. Declines discontinued materially in the second hour and at mid-day prices ruled substantially above lowest levels. Bonds were heavy.

Another drive during the noon hour, especially in the war group, caused fresh weakness and lower prices than before. Reading's gain was largely offset and U. S. Steel reflected greater pressure.

Prices made further declines in the last hour but the movement was checked in part by circulation of more favorable rumors from Berlin. The closing was heavy.

## MONEY MARKET

NEW YORK, Feb. 28.—Merchandise paper 3 2/3 1 1/2; Sterling: Sixty day bills 4 7/8 1 1/2; demand 4 7/8 1 1/2; cables 4 7/8 1 1/2; Demand 5 5/8 1 1/2; cables 5 5/8 1 1/2; Marks: Demand 7 3/4 1 1/2; cables 5 5/8 1 1/2; S. K. Kronen: Demand 7 3/4 1 1/2; cables 5 5/8 1 1/2; United: Demand 7 3/4 1 1/2; cables 5 5/8 1 1/2; Lives: Demand 7 3/4 1 1/2; cables 6 1/2 1 1/2; Lazard: Demand 6 1/2 1 1/2; cables 5 5/8 1 1/2; Mexican 32 1/2 1 1/2; for silver 58 5 8 Mexican dollars 43 1/2. Government bonds steady; railroad bonds heavy. Time loans firm: six to 12 days 2 1/2 to 3 1/2; ninety days 3 1/4 to 4 1/2; six months 3 1/2 to 4 1/2; one year 4 to 5 1/2; three years 5 to 6 1/2; five years 6 to 7 1/2; ten years 7 to 8 1/2.

**COTTON MARKET**

NEW YORK, Feb. 28.—Cotton futures opened steady. March 11 1/2; May 11 3/2; July 11 3/2; October 11 7/8.

Futures closed steady. March 11 1/



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Important Gathering of Business Men at Armory Discussed Preparedness—The Addresses

Over 500 business men of this city gathered at the armory in Westford a street last evening in response to an invitation from the local officers of the Sixth regiment, M.V.M., the purpose of the meeting being the initial step toward the formation of a military battalion of business men for Lowell. This affair proved interesting and instructive, the prospects of bringing the matter to maturity were very bright at last night's meeting. Former Senator Edward Fisher presided and the speakers were Mayor O'Donnell, Gen. Gardner W. Pearson, Robert E. Marden, president of the board of trade and representatives of the Plattsburgh military school. At the close of the addresses it was voted to appoint a committee of five to draw up a list of the prominent business men of Lowell and call them to assemble within ten days for the formation of a permanent organization.

In the course of the meeting it was announced that "incapacitated" be the watchword among local militia men and in order to prove that they are ready in the event of being called to duty, Major Colby T. Kitchadge gave his men a test yesterday afternoon by sending in an alarm for all militia men to gather at the armory. The call was given at 7 o'clock and each captain got word to his men by telephone and last night the following companies were reported:

Company C 42 men, three officers present, eight excused; total reported, 54. Company G 45 men, two officers present, eight excused; total reported, 55. Company K 40 men, three officers present, eight excused; total reported, 51. Men. As a result of this test, a large number of members of the three commands remained last night to attend the mass meeting. Companies G and C serving a luncheon to their men.

Major O'Donnell

The first speaker introduced at the meeting was Mayor O'Donnell, who was given a cordial reception. His remarks in part as follows:

"As I understand the object of this meeting tonight, it is certainly one to which every patriotic citizen should heartily subscribe. At the present time, no doubt exists in the minds of men of all political parties as to the necessity of preparedness against war, and never before in the history of our country has the force of the old saying: 'In time of peace prepare for war,' appealed to us in more striking manner. And with all men agreed as to the necessity of preparedness, the next question is, 'Of what shall that preparedness consist?' This meeting furnishes an answer to the question that must command the attention and co-operation of all good, all patriotic citizens.

Gen. Pearson

General Pearson came next and his talk was on "Preparedness." He said in a war like that going on in Europe 1,000,000 men would be needed in America for the first line defense. The army of today is a great avalanche of men bent upon destruction. The side with the better machinery wins, but men are necessary to use the machines.

In spite of our great population, we are weak and an enemy would strike at vital points. For instance by shutting off the water supply of Boston or New York, the population of these cities would be at bay. In this district now prosperous with war orders, there should be great interest in preparedness. An invading army would probably land at Ipswich, take the munitions plants in this city and then attack the Watertown arsenal. Lowell would be right on the firing line, and if the United States could not protect us, we must look to Massachusetts.

Other speakers were Gerald S. Connolly and Sinclair Kennedy, of Boston, who presented the idea of the Plattsburgh military encampment and distributed enrollment blanks and other literature. Their talk was illustrated with stereopticon views.

## RAIDER IN THE ATLANTIC

Wireless Warnings of Activities of German Steamer Received By Communipaw

NEW YORK, Feb. 29.—Wireless warnings that a German commerce raider, possibly accompanied by another, was attacking shipping in the Atlantic were received by the Standard Oil tanker Communipaw, which arrived here today from Algiers. The first message was received on Feb. 17 and was partially in code. It read:

"Abm calling Cava and reported being chased by a suspicious ship which she believes to be a German raider. Position Wch and Wm. Course west."

The Communipaw was some miles south of the Azores when this message was received. At noon a second message, apparently from the same ship, arrived. It said: "Altered course to Wm and Nha."

The third and most significant message was received about 8 o'clock that evening. Its text was:

"German steamer is attacking shipping in the Atlantic and may be assisted by captured vessels which she armed. Description 6000 tons, speed 15 knots, combination freight and passenger steamer. Carries two guns and is posing as neutral."

The Communipaw was the center of sensational rumors last December, when it was reported that she had been attacked and sunk by a submarine in the Mediterranean. After some days during which Washington tried in vain to ascertain her whereabouts, she put into Algiers and her captain denied that any attack had been made.

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PRICE ONE CENT

## NEW YORK CITY BONDS WORTH \$36,000 STOLEN

Securities to the Value of \$25,000

Also Taken By Robbers Who Rifled Mail Pouches

NEW YORK, Feb. 29.—Securities to the value of about \$25,000 were obtained by the robbers who rifled mail pouches on a postoffice automobile truck last Saturday morning while enroute on a ferry between Jersey City and New York. Announcement of the loss of the securities was made today by the banking firm of Potter, Choate and Prentiss, to whom the securities were being shipped from Baltimore by registered mail.

The banking firm announced that transfer of the securities at the offices of the respective companies which issued them had been stopped. New York City bonds to the amount of \$36,000 were also stolen. The loss was reported by Cluett & Sons, marine underwriters. These bonds are negotiable and warning was issued by the firm against accepting them. They are New York city 10s maturing in 1957.

## BIG MUNITIONS PLANT AT WOBURN BLOWN UP

Fire Followed Explosion in Chemical Works—Shock Felt for Many Miles—Other Fires

WOBURN, Feb. 29.—The plant of the New England Manufacturing Co., which is engaged in the making of high explosives for the entente allies, was the scene of an explosion early today which wrecked one building and damaged another. A fire was started and although still smoldering this forenoon was held within check against advance on the combustible property on all sides. Of the eight men at work on the night shift of the demolished department only one man, Frank H. Cornett, a foreman, was slightly injured.

All indications today, gained from statements of company officials, including Capt. W. E. McKay of Boston, the president, and from general inquiry, were that the explosion was ac-

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## COST OF THE WAR

Great Britain's Expenditure for Current Year Over Seven Billion

LONDON, Feb. 29.—Speaking before delegates from all the chambers of commerce in the United Kingdom, except Manchester, who gathered in London today to discuss proposals regarding the regulation of British trade after the war, Reginald McKenna, chancellor of the exchequer, said that throughout the war, Great Britain had maintained her credit unimpaired. She had thrown her immense financial power into the common stock of the allied resources, he said, and would use it to the full for their and her own benefit hereafter.

The chancellor said that Great Britain's personal national expenditure was higher than that of any of the belligerent powers.

Mr. McKenna estimated that the national expenditure for the current year would reach the gigantic total of £500,000,000 pounds sterling.

The government, he said, was prepared to give assistance for the development of foreign trade in order to insure that rivals who were "Great Britain's bitter enemies" should not, as in the past, enjoy control of the foreign trade.

Mr. McKenna estimated the expenditures for the past year on England's own enterprises at £170,000,000. He said that of this amount one-third would be recovered by the revenue raised in a full year on the present basis of taxation. He believed no other belligerent could show a similar record.

The courage of the nation, Mr. McKenna added, would not fail. England was prepared to endure to the end. One of the chief factors in her power

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SECURITIES FROM AMERICA

LONDON, Feb. 29.—In response to a question in the house of commons today, David Lloyd George, minister of munitions, said, in reply to a question, that it was not desirable to publish information concerning the communications that had passed between the allies when they mutually bound themselves not to conclude a separate peace.

Philip Snowden, socialist member for Blackburn, intervened with a question as to whether a secret treaty had not been concluded as the price of Italy's intervention in the war, offering to give Italy large tracts of Austrian territory. At this point the speaker stopped. Mr. Snowden's further progress with his question which remained unanswered.

TO ASSIST LORD CECIL

LONDON, Feb. 29.—Walter Hume Innes, president of the local government board, announced in the house of commons today in behalf of Premier Asquith that Rear Admiral Sir Dudley de Chair had been appointed assistant to Lord Robert Cecil as minister of war trade.

Cabinet members carefully avoided

questions on whether Germany's posi-

tion as outlined by Count von Bernstorff in a note to Secretary Lansing yesterday was acceptable to the American government. It was said that nearly the facts were laid before the cabinet without any effort being made to arrive at a decision.

It was reiterated, however, that the United States would continue to stand firmly upon its position that attacks should not be made on merchantmen unarmed or armed for defensive purposes and would hold Germany accountable if that position is not ob-

served. The chief danger was said by officials to lie in possible attack on a ship carrying Americans.

CABINET TAKES UP NOTE

WASHINGTON, Feb. 29.—The latest note from Germany regarding the future conduct of submarine warfare was before President Wilson and his cabinet for consideration today.

The note reiterates assurances given in the Lusitania case, that

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Admiral Knight said, twenty dreadnaughts, fifteen battle cruisers, twenty-five scout cruisers, seventy-five submarines and seventy-five destroyers would have to be added to the present fleet. He thought Great Britain would not regard an American building program as directed against her.

The present navy, he said, should be eliminated in considering the possibilities of an attack on the New England coast because it lacked scouts and might easily be drawn far southward by a feint while the real attack was made.

For that reason, he said, he wished to see at least nine battle cruisers and eight scouts laid down this year.

EXTEND TIME TO BUILD ROAD

BOSTON, Feb. 29.—A bill extending the time in which the Southern New England railway may complete and operate its railroad in this state from Palmer to the Rhode Island line, was favorably reported in the legislature today. A part of the road already has been constructed.

LIPEBOATS WASHED ASHORE

DOVER, England, Feb. 29.—Two more lifeboats from the British steamship Maloja, sunk by a mine on Sunday, were washed ashore at St. Margaret's Bay. The boats contained several bodies.

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## COUNCIL COMPLETES WORK ON ESTIMATES

Budget Shows Reduction in Estimates of Over \$239,000—Mayor O'Donnell Adds Pep to Meeting—Table Showing Where Chief Cuts Came

APPROPRIATIONS FOR 1916			
Departments	Expense 1915	Estimate 1916	Appropriated 1915
Public Safety.....	\$ 136,007.81	\$ 478,863.88	\$ 439,715
Finance.....	67,815.86	70,764.25	67,800
Streets and Highways.....	344,674.22	347,500.00	333,500
Fire and Water.....	204,154.87	274,776.95	197,000
Public Property.....	122,455.60	203,837.89	107,253
Municipal Council.....	66,214.29	70,000.00	69,150
Parks.....	15,819.71	28,625.00	18,350
Schools.....	461,055.31	479,934.02	460,000
Library.....	44,499.06	18,000.00	18,000
	<b>\$1,762,696.76</b>	<b>\$1,972,201.99</b>	<b>\$1,732,768</b>
Fixed Charges.....	<b>\$516,116.14</b>	<b>\$511,217.30</b>	<b>\$507,217</b>

## NEW ADVANCES FOR GERMANS AT VERDUN

Drive Now Being Exerted From the East—Other Successes—French Warship Sunk

The German drive at Verdun is now being exerted in greatest force from the east, where the attacking armies have advanced on the plain of the Woëvre and reached the base of the heights east of the Meuse at several points.

Berlin today reported new advances in this region along a front approximately 12 miles in length, stretching from Diepple, seven miles northeast of Verdun, and three miles east of Verdun to Champion, 13 miles southeast of Douaumont, to Champion, 13 miles southeast of Verdun.

Towns Captured

From Diepple the line runs to Abaucourt, some two miles southeast, and thence directly south to Blanze, about two and a half miles distant. It continues southward to Maubuilles, three and a half miles further on, the taking of which was announced today by the Germans and thence to Champion, three miles to the southeast, another town captured in the German advance. To the west Maubuilles and Champion lies the city of Fresnes, which is held by the French, who last night reported the

French

ger-Pinchot investigation, while as a matter of fact he was paid by and really represented Collier's Weekly.

The witness said the men to whom he had talked based their conclusions as far as he knew on subjects already presented to the committee. Mr. Brandeis' standing, he said, was largely affected by the New England railroad incident.

Mr. Anderson asked if Mr. Choate had not represented the New Haven many years. Hutchins testified that was so. Anderson also read a letter from Arthur D. Hill saying it would be difficult for any radical to be popular at Boston.

"Considering the campaign of publicity carried on against him by C. W. Barron in his papers, the enmity of the New Haven and adding to that, he is an outsider, successful, and a Jew, and you have explained the reasons for his unpopularity," wrote Hill, expressing the hope Brandeis would be confirmed.

Witnesses called to testify today in opposition to confirmation of Mr. Brandeis were Charles F. Choate, Jr., Abbott E. Hillsbury and Edward W. Hutchins, all of Boston.

Mr. Hutchins, asked for his opinion of the nominees said:

"His general reputation at the bar in Boston is that he is a lawyer of great ability, but not straightforward."

United States District Attorney Anderson of Boston, presenting testimony for Mr. Brandeis asked Hutchins if his firm did not represent the vested interests of the Boston community. Mr. Hutchins replied that he would not say his firm represented all "vested interests" nor represented such interests exclusively.

Mr. Anderson asked if Mr. Brandeis had not incurred much enmity through his fight against the New Haven railroad, legislation for savings bank insurance and his attacks against gas companies and Old Dominion Copper Co. Mr. Hutchins said that was so.

Asked what he meant by "straightforward" the witness said some of those to whom he had talked would describe Mr. Brandeis as untrustworthy.

"I would say he is untrustworthy," said Hutchins. "That would mean one could not take his word or take his agreement; that he would be dishonest. What I mean as not being straightforward is illustrated by his appearing to be retaliated and represented L. R. Glavis at the Bullfinch

WORKMEN BUSY TEARING DOWN BUILDINGS IN KIRK AND ANNE STREETS

Workmen in the employ of the Swifts McNiel Co., who have the contract for the razing of the buildings on the sites of the proposed high school, have commenced tearing down the brick walls of the buildings in Kirk street. This work would have been started a couple of weeks ago but for the stormy weather.

Already the top portion of the building at 16, 38 and 50 Kirk street has been torn down and the men are now removing the brick in the building next to the high school. With favorable weather the work will be pushed ahead rapidly, and it will not be long before all of the buildings have been torn down.

LINK BOSTON AND CAPE

Quincy Men Urge \$50,000 to Complete Furnace Brook Boulevard for This Purpose

BOSTON, Feb. 29.—More than 30 Quincy men, headed by Mayor Bates and Representative E. J. Sandberg, urged the legislative committee on legislative affairs yesterday to act on half a dozen bills devoting funds to boulevards and harbor improvements along the Atlantic and Wollaston shores.

One measure sought \$50,000 for the completion of the Furnace Brook parkway, which would be the last work necessary for a continuous automobile road between Boston and Provincetown, according to Mr. Sandberg. Another bill, carrying an appropriation of \$10,000, was for the dredging of a channel from deep water in the Neponset river channel to the Squantum shore, for the benefit of yachtsmen.

PENSIONS FOR CLERGYMEN

MANCHESTER, N. H., Feb. 29.—The campaign of New Hampshire Methodists to raise an endowment fund of \$200,000 to provide pensions for retired clergymen was opened with a mass meeting and conferences at St. Paul's church here today. A letter from Gov. Rolland H. Spaulding cordially endorsing the movement was read.

The logo for the Mechanics Savings Bank of Lowell, Inc., established in 1861. It features a circular design with the bank's name around the top and bottom, and a central emblem of a hand holding a key.

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POOR RICHARD SAID:

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Written by Miss Elizabeth Leggett of the High School Commercial Dept.

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# MUNICIPAL COUNCIL MET

Jurors Drawn and Spanish War Men Heard—Contract of Swift-McNutt Co. Extended

At 10 o'clock this forenoon the members of the municipal council, who were holding a meeting to complete the appropriation matter, left the mayor's reception room and held a short business meeting in the adjourned chamber. All members were present. The feature of the meeting was the voting of an extension of time to the Day Nursery to vacate its premises in Kirk street.

Mayor O'Donnell presided and at the opening of the meeting he called upon Commissioner Putnam to draw six traverse jurors for the civil session of the superior court which will open in this city on the first Monday in March, and the following names were drawn:

George N. Staples, 56 Sixth street, clerk.

Elmer R. Hobert, 712 Moody street, clerk.

Michael J. Donahue, 3 Brooks street, salesman.

Edgar G. Fay, 833 Stevens street, plumber.

George Derry, 179 Ludlum street, laborer.

Patrick J. Ryan, 1 Goward court, clerk.

A hearing was given on the petition of Charles T. Kilpatrick for the maintaining of a garage of 27 Maryland avenue and his request as no one appeared in favor or in opposition to the petition, the matter was referred. Franz S. Gilbert, Ferdinand Trenerry and Martin C. Butler were appointed weighers of coal and other articles. Isadore Supreme, president of the South Lowell Improvement Association petitioned for the laying of sewers in Woburn, Clinton and Acton streets and the petition was referred.

#### Spanish War Veterans Protest

Frank Dodge and Gilbert Hunt, two members of the Spanish War Veterans, appeared to protest against the appropriation of \$150 for the care of graves of deceased members of their organization and those of the G.A.R. in the local cemeteries. Mr. Dodge was the first speaker and he said that the organization he represents feels the municipality did not understand the duty of caring for graves, when they voted an appropriation of \$700 and out of this appropriation, a salary for the supervisor. There are numerous graves in St. Patrick's and Edison cemeteries, which have not been cared for for many years and this means that it will take a large sum of money and a long time to place them in proper condition. The sum of \$700 is not enough after you have paid a supervisor, and by paying a supervisor out of this appropriation, it means a loss of money and time. "It was informed by the mayor that the supervisor may use his own time in looking after his work, and it does not seem right to us to pay a man for what little labor he can do during his spare time, if the supervisor is willing to give his efforts to the city free of charge, a lot can be accomplished with the money appropriated. There are over 700 graves in St. Patrick's cemetery that are in need of re-grading and re-sodding. They also have the Edison and Lowell cemeteries and this work cannot be done in one year. There are very few Spanish War Veterans' graves to be looked after for the association has taken care of most of them. In closing, Mr. Dodge said that the sum appropriated will not accomplish a great deal and if the council cannot see its way clear to add to the appropriation, it would be better to let the matter rest for a while.

Gilbert Hunt was then called and he said Mr. Dodge had practically covered the ground. He added that to put the graves in proper condition it would mean an expenditure of about \$14 per grave and \$1000 including that part of the supervisor will not go far toward this work. In concluding he said the city of Lowell is the only city in the commonwealth to obey the law in this respect, and he said it will take at least \$2000 to do the work properly. No action as to the changing of the appropriation was taken.

#### Swift-McNutt Contract Extended

Commissioner Donnelly informed the council that the Day Nursery was asking for another extension of time to vacate its property in Kirk street and he said Mr. McNutt, of the Swift-McNutt Co., building wreckers, was

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1 Bottle Extract	10c
1 Bottle Ammonia	10c
6 Dozen Clothes Pins	10c
1 Package Soaps	10c
50 Stamps Free.	50c

### FRIDAY'S SPECIAL

10 lbs. Granulated Sugar	39c
With 1 lb. of Special Blend Tea	60c
Or 1 Can Baking Powder	50c
5 lbs. Granulated Sugar	24c
With 1 lb. Fresh Roasted Coffee	33c

### SATURDAY'S SPECIAL

1 Package Corn Starch	10c
1 Bottle Ketchup	10c
1 Bottle Bluing	10c
1 Bag Salt	10c
2 Sunbeam Cleanser	10c
50 Stamps Free.	50c

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## AMERICAN COMMERCE REPORTS

It is well to prepare against war as America is doing, but, after all, war is not a normal function of national life. Rage as it will, this great war must burn itself out in due time, and this country will have to prepare for the new world conditions which it will leave in its train. To this end the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce of the Department of Commerce is making practical preparations so that America may be ready to take every legitimate advantage in trade and commerce and may compete along scientific and efficient lines with all other manufacturing and productive powers.

The work of this most important government department is now being conducted on strict business principles, and the results are proving far ahead of expectations. Through the activities of consuls, special agents and commercial attachés in foreign capitals, America and American business systems are being better understood throughout the commercial world, and our business interests are kept in touch with the large opportunities that await American initiative and enterprise in new and extended foreign markets.

The Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce publishes consular and trade reports daily which are sent to the press of the country and to leading commercial and civic organizations. Private business is availing itself of these reports to a greater extent than formerly, for they are not only an index of general trade conditions but a stimulus to greater trade expansion. From time to time the departments also issue pamphlets and circulars setting forth special opportunities for the promotion of American business at home and abroad, and creating a healthy public interest in this timely movement.

Today there is a demand in all parts of the world for American foods, American machinery, American textiles, American shoes, American munitions of war, and a thousand and one other things. In a short time there will be far greater demand for many of these commodities, as the world will look to the United States to supply materials for international reorganization. The Department of Commerce, through its efficient force of workers, will keep American business posted on these foreign demands all over the globe and the American public should avail of the services so efficiently conducted.

To those who look with the eye of imagination and who feel confidence in the industrial and commercial opportunity that awaits America, a typical publication of the government Department of Commerce is an inspiring document. A recent issue of the daily "Commerce Reports," had the following sub-headlines: Fisheries Bureau Craft Lands Tiffish; Fifties Linen Trade with United States; Inexpensive Jewelry for the Philippines; Sash and Doors for Italy; Australia's Income Tax Law; Imports at Rio De Janeiro; American Merchants in China; Elect Officers; Forecast of India's Oilseed Crops; Spanish Co-operative Farm Colonies Launched; Outlook for Canadian Lobster Fisheries; Paraguayan Market for Shoe Polishes; Restricting Alcoholism at Trieste; Mining Industry in Catalonia; Toy Trade of Spain; Tanning Materials in South Africa; Foreign Trade Opportunities, etc., etc. This list of titles, under each of which are practical suggestions for the advancement of American business, will convince even the superficial reader that the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce believes fully in commercial preparedness and puts its belief into practical form.

## SOBER SECOND THOUGHT

Those threats that came out of a congress a few days ago relative to a resolution against the policy of President Wilson which was "sure to pass overwhelmingly" have been silenced and hopefully for good. Nothing but humiliation could have come of such a cowardly concession to expediency and if the riotous element in congress has put on its thinking cap, so much the better for the future of the nation.

If President Wilson had come out openly in favor of war, in the manner of Elihu Root, trumpet of the republican cause, the case might be different. The country does not favor war, surely, but yet it will not make up its mind to avoid war by a sacrifice of honor and national principle. America looks upon war as a bad thing, but it regards as far worse a servile state of mind which would accept every insult and outrage from a foreign government rather than stand firmly for the right as America sees the right and has always seen it. Our people will continue to trust the president who while keeping us clear of war has defended and preserved every American right.

President Wilson is not in favor of war and he hopes that we may avoid war. He said so in his letter to Senator Stone and he said so more recently in his speech before the Gridiron Club of Washington. Yet, he does not deny that there is a possibility of war, but the responsibility will rest on those who provoke it and it will not be the United States. As President Wilson says, if we go to war, it

shall be in defense of humanity and justice; it shall be for the preservation of America's honor, and only because to shirk our stern duty would be dishonorable now and for all time.

The American people will not tamely submit to be misrepresented by congress. They cannot in justice to themselves permit congress to give the impression that we are afraid to stand for international law and the right. If we would not be considered unnatural and impotent, we must back up the international policy of President Wilson as so many prominent Republicans and Democrats have done, hoping for the best but prepared for any emergency that our stand for right may thrust upon us. The attitude of the great American masses may promote the sober second thought in the capitol.

## TAX REFORM COMING

Some of the tax reforms for which ex-Governor Walsh fought so hard during his term of office have been incorporated in a bill which has been introduced in the legislature by the state commission on taxation, while other phases of the agitated tax reform have been suggested by the state commission and they will make their appearance in the legislature in due time.

Among the features of the tax bill now pending in the legislature are: a tax of six per cent on interest and dividends. Interest on savings bank deposits, on federal, state and municipal bonds, and on mortgages of taxable real estate within the commonwealth, is exempt from this tax. The income derived from property already taxed is also exempt, and there are other specific exemptions.

A tax of 1½ per cent is proposed on the income from annuities and from professions and other employments in excess of \$2000 annually. Returns of income would have to be made annually under oath to the tax commissioner. This would be virtually an income tax for Massachusetts, in line with the legislation of many progressive states where the system works with general satisfaction.

During the hearing on this important bill before the legislative committee, the Boston chamber of commerce and many other kindred organizations expressed their approval of the principles of the bill, and suggested minor amendments which would not change its general character. The committee from the Boston body recommended an income tax of two per cent on the income from occupations and professions instead of one and one-half.

There is an agitation on foot for an amendment to the corporation tax law which at present operates unequally and while robbing the state of legitimate income also operates against many business interests. A special commission has been suggested so that such an important question may be settled in justice to all and without resort to extreme measures that might drive some classes of corporations out of the state. To be satisfactory the present agitation for tax reform should not stop until the entire question has been settled on a more up-to-date basis than now exists.

## WAR TAKES BEST

Wise Oliver Goldsmith said in famous lines in "The Deserted Village" that though princes and lords may rise or fall, their fate does not affect the nation like the fate of a "bold peasant, their country's pride, which, once destroyed, can never be supplied." He spoke of economic destruction and emigration, but how truly his words apply to world conditions today! By tens of thousands the war is wiping out not only the bold peasantry of England, France, Germany, Russia and the rest, but their picked men—the students, thinkers, professional men, scientists and specialists of every sort.

The Cambridge University Review, Cambridge, England, shows this in a poignant way. The normal enrollment is more than 3000, and for decades the great institution has been filled to capacity. This time last year the membership was 1227; now it is only 663. What shall it be next year, should the war continue? At the time of making the report, 700 graduates and undergraduates had given up their lives, and hundreds of other students and graduates are in deadly peril. Yet, this is but one university of scores that have sent their bravest and best to the shambles.

The best manhood of France is now defending Verdun, and the best manhood of Germany is being recklessly squandered in the struggle to take it. No wonder that the thinkers of all nations' shun hunger for an international tribunal of law to do away with the wanton slaughter, the human sacrifice offered up to Odin and Thor.

## BLACK WALNUT AGAIN

Fashions change in household furniture as in dress. In Colonial times the vogue was in solid ma-

hogany, and it was built in designs that are accepted as standard and that always shall be popular. Later came a period of black walnut and marble in amazing contraptions that outraged art and tried the patience of housekeepers. This style soon lost its martial appeal and black walnut was not valued among the better class of American woods. Furniture dealers and manufacturers say that there is a growing demand for it again, and the south rejoices, for Georgia and neighboring states have large groves of this lumber. If built up in better designs than formerly, black walnut ought to prove more acceptable than the cheap modern furniture that has neither beauty nor durability. Black walnut is one of the most beautiful of American woods, and were it not for the excess to which designers went in the black walnut period, it never would have been relegated to the attic. Those who have stored away dining room sets or bedroom sets in the once discarded material will rejoice to hear that it is returning to popular favor.

## HOW LARGE A NAVY?

President Wilson declared a little while ago that America should have the largest navy in the world, and other prominent men have echoed his sentiments. The general opinion of the country seems to be, however, that it is not necessary for us to try and build up a greater navy than Great Britain. We might double our present navy in men and in equipment and we would not be equal to the present British navy, but this would give us a formidable navy for defense. Those who argue for an American navy larger than the largest forget that Great Britain might not be willing to let us exceed her. The history of recent years proves that when nations compete in armaments, the world is the loser. Let us have an adequate navy without striving to have the largest in the world.

## AT VERDUN

Reports from Verdun are contradictory but it is certain that the Germans are continuing their frantic struggle to capture it. In this connection a recent statement of Victor Murdoch is of especial interest. After landing in New York from an extended stay in the western theatre of war he declared that no side could wholly break through and that the great offensive would be undertaken only as a last resort by whatever side should first feel financial and economic pressure. He also predicted a Zeppelin attack on London on a large scale and the coming out of the German fleet from the Kiel canal in the last stages of the war. If he is right, Germany is feeling economic pressure and is risking all in a strong offensive that will either give her a longer lease of life in the field or will further deplete resources that she can ill spare.

## SEEN AND HEARD

The best way to argue with a woman is to stuff your ears and your mouth full of cotton.

There's No Help, Elther  
As the stout but haughty looking lady passed sedately along the road a small boy spoke to her.  
"Your blouse is loose, ma'm," he said shyly. "Shall I tie it again for you?"

Even haughty women would have

## THE HEART.

## HOW IT ACTS IN EVERY DAY LIFE

The human heart, in a healthy man weighs but eleven ounces. It beats from long before birth until death, in an average lifetime, about seven million times, allowing seventy beats to the minute. Every twenty-four hours this giant organ performs labor equivalent to lifting a ton of material eighty feet into the air. If the blood becomes poor, and filled with poisons from diseased liver or kidneys, the heart is not only starved, but poisoned. It soon becomes exhausted and unable to meet any extraordinary demand which may be made upon it. Supply pure blood; get the kidneys to working; tone up the feeble stomach! Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery purifies the blood, relieves the kidneys and tones up the alimentary canal. Give the heart the food it needs and it will continue to work till the natural end of life.

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Mervin H. Solster, Berkeley, Cal., writes: "Last Saturday after working around the Pacific Expressman with my feet, I came home with my neck so stiff that I couldn't turn. I applied Sloan's Liniment freely and went to bed. To my surprise, next morning the stiffness was but vaguely disappears after four hours. The second application I was as good as new."

March 1915. At Druggists, 25c.

found it hard to disdain so kindly an offer, and with a gracious smile, the lady held her foot upward.

The little boy pulled the lace tight and then smiled up at her.

"My mother's fat, too," he explained pleasantly.

And Makes You Look Pale

Upon the eve of the annual meeting of the Kentucky Educational association another story of the public schools may not come amiss, says the Louisville Times. This one is said to have happened at the Washington school, where part of the original work was definitions of familiar things.

"Johnny Jones, what is water?" asked the teacher.

For the moment Johnny was stunned. Only for the moment, though, for he triumphantly answered: "Water is what turns black when you put your hands in it."

## SIGNS OF SPRING

A Haverhill writer thus reports: "On February 20, between Lawrence and Lowell, at 11:30 a. m. I saw a white headed eagle. It was perched in a tree with its head thrown forward and its beak on its breast."

"When I came back at 5:30 p. m. the eagle was in the same place and position. Is there any reason for that, or was it a coincidence?"

"Also, on the same trip we came upon a flock of about eight pheasants that were so tame that the car had to stop and some one 'shot' them off the track."

"Up near Lowell were a great many wild ducks, black and white geese and ducks, swimming about in the river. They did not seem to mind the cars."

## LUKE MCFLIKE SAYS:

No matter how much money a man earns, his wife always wishes he was getting at least \$10 more per week.

Most of the princesses seem to imagine that refractory means turning your nose up at other people.

Every baby inherits its good disposition from its mother and its bad temper from its father.

Why is it that your girl always has a musical laugh while other girls merely giggle and cackle?

Most of the men in the condemned cells who are waiting their turn in the chair are wearing a more cheerful expression than the girl who has been engaged for four hours and failed to make the suckers stay put.

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## LOWELL FIVE WON OUT INDOOR TRACK MEET

DEFATED CENTRALVILLE A.C. IN SECOND GAME OF CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES

The Lowell Five defeated the Centralville A.C. by a score of 26 to 24, last night in Associate hall in the second of a series of games to be played between these two teams for the championship of the city. Inasmuch as the A.C. won the first contest the race for supremacy is waxing warm. The game was hard fought throughout and was anybody's game up to the time of the blowing of the whistle at the end of the third period.

The Centralville quintet started in well and at the end of the first period the score was 8 to 7 in their favor and at the end of the second period the boys from across the river were given the good but in the last period the Lowell Five showed signs of life and ended up a victor by four points.

Clark, Grant and Finn excelled for the Centralville Five while Lecasse, Follansbee and Lew were in the points for the winning team.

The lineup, score and summary:

Lowell Five—25

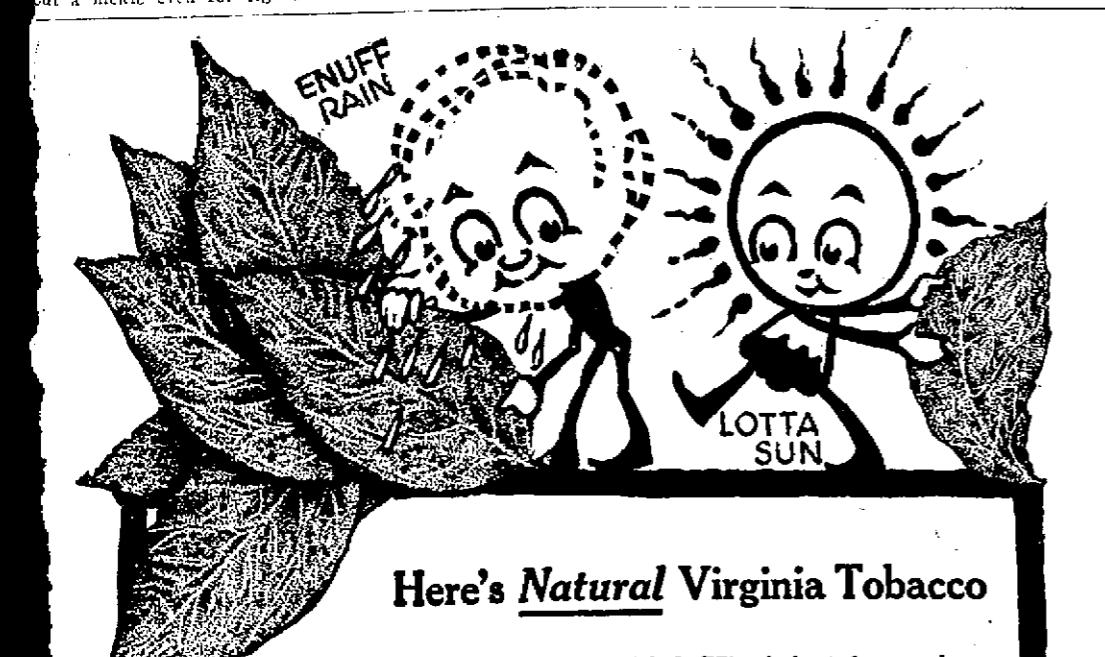
24—Centralville A.C.  
Lecasse, Jb. .... 10, Grant, Follansbee, rb. .... 10, Clark, Lulyanv., c. .... 10, Finn, Lew, H. .... 10, Renkert, Postello, Jb. .... 10, McPherson, Brennan

Centralville, 24. Goods, by—Renkert, Clark, F. Follansbee, Finn, 2, Costello, 6, Grant, 2, Lecasse, 3, Lew, 2, Foulis, Lowell Five, 7, Centralville, 12. Time: three periods of 15 minutes. Scorers: Gerard Bean. Referee: William Wilson.

A LYNN PAPER SAYS:

Lo, poor Jawn Donnelly of Lowell, recently launched a campaign for the presidency of the New England League last summer, and shifted to the Eastern League when that organization was sanctioned by the national board. Ever since last summer Donnelly and his campaigners have been working, and the campaigners ate, drank, and were exceedingly merry on his bank roll. He has attended every New England and Eastern league meeting, and wherever he went his friends gathered and were his guests. Roughly figured, Jawnly is at least 500 semoleans a loss, besides loss of time, worry, and grievous disappointment which cannot be reckoned in a monetary sense. But it was a rare good spender and none of the meager men who might vote for him went hungry, thirsty or bankrupt when Jawn was around.

Whenever he blew into New England league session the Donnelly cohorts ate and drank copiously, smoked Maravillas and imported cigarettes, and when the waiter brought around the bill it was John Donnelly, good fellow, who settled. Now he will settle down to being a common every day man. He made two trips down into the eastern association, the last of which was just before the Springfield meeting, trying to dig up the necessary votes to win. If Jawn could have used all the promises made to him, he would be sitting on the Eastern league throne today instead of Timothy H. Marname, whose expenses have been so slight that he never had to pay but a nickel even for cigars.

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It has all the rich, natural taste in it just as it was grown out under Virginia sunshine and showers.

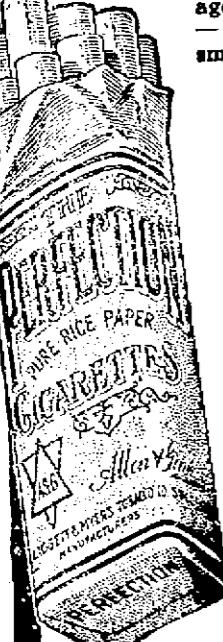
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A plain, plum-colored package but—real smokes



LOCAL Y.M.C.A. WILL COMPETE IN INTERNATIONAL EVENT DURING MARCH 1 TO 15

The local association will take part in the International Y.M.C.A. indoor athletic event which takes place during March 1 to March 15, 1916.

The hexathlon consists of six indoor athletic events which may easily be conducted in any gymnasium or hall of suitable size. The events consist of a short distance potato race, a long distance potato race, running high jump, standing broad jump, 12-lb. shotput and fence vault. In the junior hexathlon, which is to take place on the Jewel Alleys in this city tonight, is attracting wide-spread attention in bowing circles throughout New England, especially in the eastern section where both players are well known. Hundreds of bowing enthusiasts are expected to be present and in order to accommodate them the management of the alleys has erected bleachers which will give all present an unobstructed view of the game.

The events are conducted on a point-scoring basis and the results are tabulated and sent to the international committee in New York where the statistics are compiled, winners declared and prizes awarded.

The local athlete who scores the highest number of points in the hexathlon will receive a beautiful silver cup emblematic of the all-round indoor athletic championship of the Lowell association.

The following are expected to compete for the cup: M. Wren, G. H. Terpner, O. Clowater, A. M. Angus, E. P. Chaput, S. Harris, A. Teaudieu, R. Falls, S. Babine, E. Leadbetter, M. Washburn, A. Fletcher and others.

Lowell will conduct the hexathlon as follows:

Wednesday, March 1, at 8:30: 60-yd.

potato race, running high jump, 12-lb.

shotput.

Friday, March 3, at 8:30: 220-yd. potato race, standing broad jump, fence vault. Eight men must qualify in each event to have full score count.

Junior

March 4th: Unfilled Weight Class—Events, 3 potato race, standing broad jump, 8-lb. shotput, 8 potato race, running high jump, fence vault.

125-lb. Class—2 potato race, standing broad jump, 8-lb. shotput, 6 potato race, running high jump, fence vault.

110-lb. Class—2 potato race, standing broad jump, stand under bar, 8-lb. potato race, running high jump, target throw.

Saturday, March 11th—95-lb. Class—

8-lb. potato race, standing broad jump, 8-lb. shotput, 8 potato race, running high jump, fence vault.

50-58-lb. Class—1 potato race, standing broad jump, snap under bar, 3 potato race, running high jump, target throw.

Lowell needs at least eight boys to qualify in each event in each weight class. Every member of the boys' physical department should enter and compete.

## BOWLING NEWS

The Centralville Five and Dooley's Milkmen of the Kittredge league split honors on the alleys last night, each team winning two points. The Milkmen took the first two strings and it looked as if they were to capture all four points, but their opponents got going in the third string and winning it by a margin of 78 pins also captured

Totals ..... 384 373 393 1150

## Fairmount Girls

Miss L. O'Connell ..... 74 75 77 226  
Miss Coleman ..... 61 68 78 210  
Miss Bentley ..... 72 79 77 220  
Miss O'Connell ..... 50 64 72 240  
Miss King ..... 50 77 83 240

Totals ..... 357 353 388 1093

## American House Girls

Miss Wiggin ..... 84 87 79 250  
Miss Mahoney ..... 68 78 65 203  
Miss Barry ..... 51 62 72 210  
Miss Angier ..... 65 71 69 205  
Mrs. Chase ..... 65 71 69 205

Totals ..... 351 379 377 1107

## Woodlawn Girls

Miss Connor ..... 80 71 64 224  
Miss G. Cattell ..... 65 87 83 230  
Miss A. Cattell ..... 61 70 63 197  
Miss G. Sheehan ..... 72 70 87 229  
Miss A. Sheehan ..... 70 73 77 220

Totals ..... 360 371 374 1105

## Silesia Girls

Miss Walker ..... 74 75 71 220

Miss Barrett ..... 54 74 71 220

Miss Sullivan ..... 53 77 65 220

Miss Beauregard ..... 72 76 78 226

Miss McNamee ..... 50 56 56 252

Totals ..... 373 388 382 1143

the total pin-fall. Ward of the Centralville Five was high man with a total of 330.

In Carr's league the Congress club won four points from the Finnish Shell. A triple of 300 by Burns of the winning aggregation was the best score made during the evening.

The score:

Centralville Five  
Montgomery ..... 91 80 262  
S. Silcox ..... 100 82 265  
Curtin ..... 97 93 299  
Ward ..... 89 167 339  
Pierce ..... 94 91 252

Totals ..... 472 461 1451

Dooley's Milkmen  
Dooley ..... 103 99 292 296  
Brown ..... 109 97 286  
Osterman ..... 111 97 286  
Smith ..... 109 82 258  
Tyler ..... 91 50 261

Totals ..... 506 465 1411

CARRIS LEAGUE  
Congress Club

O'Loughlin ..... 50 111 98 280  
Shew ..... 91 81 92 264  
Kirane ..... 96 95 87 213  
Burke ..... 88 114 90 283  
Burns ..... 88 109 117 289

Totals ..... 438 501 473 1414

Octobe Girls  
Mrs. Holisington ..... 84 71 70 225  
Mrs. Jackson ..... 75 75 70 225  
Mrs. Donovan ..... 81 70 70 217  
Mrs. Wentworth ..... 81 72 70 217  
Miss Peabody ..... 81 79 85 245

Totals ..... 385 372 395 1155

MARTEL VS. WALSH TONIGHT

The bowling match between Archie Walsh, of Boston, champion candle pin bowler of New England, and "Cheat" Martel of this city, for \$200 a side and the championship of New England, which is to take place on the Jewel Alleys in this city tonight, is attracting wide-spread attention in bowling circles throughout New England, especially in the eastern section where both players are well known. Hundreds of bowling enthusiasts are expected to be present and in order to accommodate them the management of the alleys has erected bleachers which will give all present an unobstructed view of the game.

While Martel has a lead of 31 pins on his opponent Walsh is a great favorite and the battle promises to be a hot one. Considerable money has been wagered on the contest and it is expected that the Boston delegation which will accompany Walsh to this city tonight will have more of the long green to put up on their favor-

ite.

BOSTON BRAVES INSURED

BLANKET POLICY FOR HALF A MILLION FOR INJURIES OFF THE FIELD

BOSTON, Feb. 29.—Bill Sweeney, ex-

Brave, has insured the whole outfit of his former brethren against any and all accidents that may befall any member of the Stalling's only.

"Off the field" only is the contract between the company that Bill represents and the Boston National league club. If any of the players named, they are 30 in number, should happen to be injured on the field of duty, the Boston club cannot collect. Otherwise, the club can.

The policy is a blanket affair, and is announced as being nearly half a million dollars in protective value. This large item of preparedness on behalf of the club, as promised by President Haughton, was made good yesterday when P. D. and Bill, the policy man, got together and signed the documents necessary in the transaction.

Dick Shaner, the groundkeeper of the club, has departed for Miami to put in a few finishing touches on the ball park where the Boston athletes will be toiling inside in a week or so.

Those Braves whose homes are on the Pacific coast or elsewhere, put away for the south, are not away for the summer, being there. They are three in number, being Bill James, Paul Strand and Without, the new outfielder. Their present destination is Macon, Ga., where they will join the other members of the crew that will start under the lead of Manager Stallings on Saturday night for the training camp.

NELSON TOO FAR GONE

APPLETON, Wis., Feb. 29.—The state boxing commission yesterday ruled that Battling Nelson was "too far gone" to box Ad Walquist, to whom he lost the lightweight championship.

They had been matched to box here on April 12.

Notable among the cases which

had been handled were the expose of graft at Revere, resulting in the indictment of Samuel Seeger of the board of assessors.

DUAL TRACK MEETS

DURHAM, N. H., Feb. 29.—The dates of four intercollegiate dual track meets in New Hampshire State college will take part were announced today as follows:

April 22, Bates at Lewiston, Me.; May 13, Worcester Polytechnic Institute at Durham; May 27, Rhode Island State college at Kingston, R. I.; June 3, University of Vermont at Durham.

BOARD OF TRADE ACTIVITY

SEVERAL HEARINGS AND OTHER MATTERS OF IMPORTANCE ARRANGED FOR BANQUET

Secretary John H. Murphy of the Lowell board of trade will attend two legislative hearings at the state house tomorrow, both measures being favored by the local board. He will also be present at the meeting of the executive committee of the Massachusetts state board of trade.

One of the hearings is on the bill relative to the finishing of the work on what is known as the Black North road in Dracut, which will be held by the committee on ways and means. A short time ago a portion of the road was macadamized and now Rep. Arthur Colburn of Dracut has introduced a bill for the expenditure of \$10,000 to complete the improvement of the road to the Merrimac line. If the measure is passed it will mean an excellent thoroughfare between Dracut and Lawrence.

The committee on legal affairs will give a hearing on the bill relative to fraudulent advertising, which is favored by the executive and mercantile committees of the local board.

Thursday afternoon at 4 o'clock the members of the fire prevention and insurance committees will meet at the board room.

The speakers of the house, who was sent to the house of correction on a charge of conspiracy to steal.

His work in the case of Clarence V. Richeson, the minister, who was indicted for the murder of Asyl Linnell, was highly commended at the time. Under his direction a mass of evidence was obtained against Richeson, who finally pleaded guilty to murder in the first degree and was elected.

In handling cases in the office he always stretched a point in favor of an unfortunate and made many friends through his kindness and leniency, not only among members of the bar, but in the community at large.

In the absence of Dist. Atty. Peiffer, Richeson was regarded as in charge of the office. Not the slightest balking of his purpose to resign was given until

he had been given a chance to resign.

MATRIMONIAL

Napoleon Dubois and Miss Emma Ducharme were married yesterday morning, the ceremony being performed at a nuptial mass celebrated at St. Joseph's church at 10 o'clock by Rev. Armand Baron, O.M.I. The couple were attended by their respective fathers, Louis Dubois and Mose Ducharme. The bride wore a dark blue traveling suit and carried a shower bouquet of sweet peas and violets of the valley.

At the close of the ceremony the bridal party repaired to the home of the bride's parents, 34 Ford street, where a wedding dinner was served. Present at the wedding from out-of-town were the bridegroom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Dubois of Keene, N. H. The happy couple left at 12:10 o'clock on a honeymoon trip to White River Junction and Keene, N. H. Upon their return Saturday they will be tendered a reception at the home of the bride's parents, 34 Ford street, where they will make their home.

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## HISTORY BOARD ACTS U.S. TO PROTECT HAITI

ENDS VOTE TO BUY CHURCH

PROPERTY—LATE SESSION HELD

CONTRACTS CONSIDERED

large delegation of plumbers and fitters, with an efficient corps of workers, attended a meeting of the high school advisory board at 8:30 last evening and presented a petition concerning the awarding of a contract. They set forth in their petitions that the general practice now is to award contracts to the various portions of the work, and not in a single contract, with special reference to the plumbing outfitting which were universally awarded under separate contracts.

William Farrell, Richard Peter M. Condon and Daniel O'Farrell spoke for the plumbers and fitters. They asked that the advisory board change its previous vote relating to the type of contract, and also that in case of a general contract all sub-bidders be protected. The advisory board took up the matter later in the evening but no definite vote was taken. The matter will be taken up at the next meeting.

Street Church

board changed its former vote by the municipal council was adopted to acquire the Kirk Street church for high school purposes and a motion that it was deemed expedient, on account of the price, to buy the church property for all purposes.

Power Plant

A power plant proposition was up again. The sub-committee recommended that the Lowell Electric Light corporation agree to make a 16-year act to furnish the amount of electricity estimated by the power engineer for \$750,000, the total amount thus used being 190,000 kilowatt hours per year. This was estimated to be about \$100,000 less than the engineers said the city would spend if it maintained its own current and much than the first figures presented by the Lowell Electric Light corporation. The engineers were called in to discuss the offer and agreed to all necessary figures to show that the city would be required to spend per year in addition to the sum submitted by the corporation, as further suggested that some sum could be shown in a revised estimate of the engineers.

Rourke discussed details of the plans and asked for decisions on important matters. The plans are held up pending the question of necessary exits for the large hall.

The meeting of the board continued

midnight with all the members

who are in the city. The municipal council was present and also the members of the school committee and a party of the high school. Arthur Henry L. Rourke and his attorney, James F. Corbett, were also present. Mayor O'Donnell presided.

Some Weather

RLING, N. E., Feb. 29.—A weather of unusual extremes was recorded along the west coast of New England Sunday. A sun of marked intensity sent the mercury to 95 degrees.

At the same time a reading of 40 degrees was made in shaded places

summer-like day was followed by

a night of wintry blasts, a gale holding

from the south.

WANTS HEARING

FOR O'DONNELL RECEIVES REQUEST FOR HEARING FROM DEPOSED POLICE MESSENGER

John J. Pinder, removed from the position of police messenger by Mayor O'Donnell some time ago, has served notice on the mayor requesting a hearing on his dismissal. Mr. Pinder served notice through his attorney, former Dennis J. Murphy. The notice is as follows:

James E. O'Donnell, Mayor; Lowell, Mass.

Dear Sir: On Tuesday, Feb. 1, 1916, I received a communication from you dated Jan. 31, 1916, which read as follows:

In confirmation of the notification you gave me by the superintendent of police, you are hereby notified of the position of police messenger held by you in abolished after this, as in my judgment it is an unnecessary expense to the police department of the city of Lowell.

I hereby request a public hearing to be held to my charge, and I further request that said hearing be held at a time set by you of not less than seven days, in order that sufficient opportunity may be permitted me to summon witnesses as I deem necessary present at said hearing.

John J. Pinder.  
By his attorney,  
Dennis J. Murphy.

## FAVOR OF BRANDEIS

HARVARD MEN OPPOSE ATTITUDE OF PRES. LOWELL AND END PETITION

BOSTON, Feb. 29.—More than 600 Harvard undergraduates signed and a pro-Brandeis petition to Senator Walsh in Washington last night. The undergraduate petition is a direct answer to the anti-Brandeis petition recently signed by Pres. A. Lawrence Lowell of Harvard, it was said in Cambridge.

The view of the pro-Brandeis petitioners is that Pres. Lowell's action has been misunderstood as reflecting a diversity of opinion, whereas, they say, he was expressing his personal belief.

It is not expected that the student petition will carry a great deal of weight with the sub-committee of the state, but it is hoped that it will counteract the impression given by the other petition, so far as Harvard is concerned.

The petition follows:

Chairman of the Senate Sub-Committee:

We, the undersigned members of Harvard University, hereby strongly urge your committee to report favorably on the nomination of Louis D. Brandeis, Harvard Law '77, as associate justice of the supreme court.

Copies of the petition were posted in Memorial Hall, the Harvard Union, Croxton Hall and the Crimson building, from last Thursday until yesterday, while the Harvard Crimson print-editors on the affair.

Two million clubwomen throughout the United States will begin a nation-wide fight against many of the prevailing styles in women's apparel when the General Federation of Women's Clubs of America convenes in New York in May.

"Outcast" is one of the most

## SENATE EXANIMOUSLY RATIFIES TREATY—UNITED STATES NOW VIRTUALLY IN CONTROL

WASHINGTON, Feb. 29.—The Senate yesterday unanimously ratified the treaty with Haiti under which the United States assumes a protectorate over the turbulent island republic, taking over control of its finance and police, guaranteeing its territorial integrity and undertaking to develop its resources.

The treaty already has been approved by the Haitian congress and its terms virtually are in operation under the eye of a strong American expedition.

This treaty was negotiated last year with the d'Artiguez government, set up after marines and sailors under Rear Admiral Caperton had put down the revolution which overthrew President Vilbrun Guillaume. During the preceding changes it previous vote relating to the type of contract, and also that in case of a general contract all sub-bidders will be protected. The advisory board took up the matter later in the evening but no definite vote was taken at the next meeting.

The possibility of European intervention to protect foreign lives and property and insure the payment of foreign loans was being discussed when the American forces took charge of affairs on the island.

Article of Convention

The principal articles of the convention provide for:

American supervision of finances and the collection of customs.

American supervision of the payment of the public debt, inquiry into the validity of existing debts and regulation of the contracting of future debts.

Policing of the republic by a native constabulary, officered for the present by Americans.

Intervention by the United States if necessary to preserve order and for guaranteeing territorial integrity and independence.

Development of Haitian resources under American auspices.

When formal ratifications have been exchanged the president of Haiti will appoint, upon nomination by the president of the United States, a general receiver and such employees as may be necessary, who shall collect, receive and apply all customs duties on imports and exports accruing at Haitian ports.

American Financial Adviser

There also will be appointed, on recommendation of President Wilson, a financial adviser who will be an officer attached to the ministry of finance, to lend aid to that department of the government.

Haiti obligated itself for the preservation of domestic peace, to create a constabulary, which shall be organized and officered by Americans, and agrees not to surrender any territory by sale, lease or otherwise to any foreign government or to enter into any compact with any foreign powers that would tend to impede the peace of the republic.

Keith's Theatre

Those in Lowell who did not go to the Ballet Russe at the Boston Opera House need have no regrets; this week they can go to Keith's and see Mile. Andree, a dancer who may not come up to Pavlova but who is the last word in rhythmic beauty as she goes through "Danse Parisienne," "Danse Papillon," "Danse de la Flamme" and "Danse Bleue de Lys." Mademoiselle is graceful and debonair, and as she dances and floats through the filmy draperies of her lovely act, she is like some pretty butterfly in the spring sunshine. The special effects are most effective; in the spirit of fire, she seems to dance through real flames, played on the person of the dancer through a trap on the door. Colors, lighting effects and all properties are such as are rarely seen on the vaudeville stage. Those who love beautiful dancing—and who doesn't?—will love Mile. Andree.

The six Kirksmith sisters are back, and they are better than ever. Two years ago they made a great hit, and this week they will make a home run with Lowell as home sweet home. One of the sisters is a musician in the real sense, and all are good to look on. They play on the piano, violin, cornet, trombone and saxophone, and they know how to play into the bargain. They also do some splendid singing, including a solo with ensemble chorus.

We are told that the sisters are really and truly sisters, and in their beautiful dresses and in the refined atmosphere of the act they look it. Any doubts, reader? Go to Keith's and give them an admiring once-over.

Ethel May Hall and Co. present a clever comedy sketch, "The Wrong Guy" in the opening. Lady Percival Knight is mourning for having married the wrong type of a man. George Hume is Lord Percival, and he is awfully sweet in his gentle effeminate. Lord Percival is sent for some bows, and while he is gone, Tim the plumber enters. Tim is Frank E. Hall, author of the sketch, and he is a corkscrewing good plumber. He and Lady Knight have an amusing dialogue, and then they become real friends. He is commissioned to guard her against all intruders, and poor Percy is the first. The rest had better be left to the imagination.

Willie Dunlay and Bessie Merrill have an act "Without Rhyme or Reason" and it is a very good act at that. Joe Fields and Will Halliday in "A Raw Recruit" are a cure for the blues, and Quinn and Lafferty do some unusual work in dances and acrobatics.

In this act every known variety of dance is presented, and some unknown girls are presented for the first time. Raymond Wilbert, with his human hoop, opens the ball in a very satisfactory way, and the news pectoral is full of timely interest. From first to last it is a splendidly balanced bill.

LOWELL OPERA HOUSE

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## TO AID THE STATE MILITIA

Important Gathering of Business Men at Armory Discussed Preparedness—The Addresses

Over 500 business men of this city gathered at the armory in Westford street last evening in response to an invitation from the local officers of the Sixth regiment, M.V.M., the purpose of the meeting being the initial step toward the formation of a military battalion of business men for Lowell. This affair proved interesting and instructive and the prospects of bringing the matter to maturity were very bright at last night's meeting. Former Senator Edward Fisher presided and the speakers were Mayor O'Donnell, Gen. Gardner W. Pearson, Robert F. Marden, president of the board of trade, and representatives of the Plattsburgh military school. At the close of the addresses it was voted to appoint a committee of five to draw up a list of the prominent business men of Lowell and call them to assemble within ten days for the formation of a permanent organization.

In the course of the meeting it was announced that "preparedness" be the watchword among local militia men and in order to prove that they are ready in the event of being called to duty, Major Colby T. Kitteridge gave his men a test yesterday afternoon by sending in an alarm for all militiamen to gather at the armory. The call was issued at 3 o'clock and each captain got word to his men by telephone and last night the following company reports were issued.

Company C, 42 men, three officers present, eight excused; total reported, 64. Company G, 45 men, two officers present, eight excused; total reported, 55 men. Company K, 10 men, three officers present, eight excused; total reported, 51 men. As a result of this test, a large number of members of the three commands remained last night to attend the mass meeting, Companies G and C serving a bunch of their men.

**Mayor O'Donnell**  
The first speaker introduced at the meeting was Mayor O'Donnell, who was given a cordial reception. His remarks were in part as follows:

"I understand the object of this meeting tonight, it is certainly one to which every patriotic citizen should heartily subscribe. At the present time, no doubt exists in the minds of men of all political parties as to the necessity of preparedness against war, and never before in the history of our country has the force of the old saying: 'In time of peace prepare for war,' appealed to us in more striking manner. And with all men agreed as to the necessity of preparedness, the next question is, 'Of what shall that preparedness consist?' This meeting furnishes an answer to the question that must command the attention and co-operation of all good, all patriotic citizens."

## RAIDER IN THE ATLANTIC

Wireless Warnings of Activities of German Steamer Received By Communipaw

NEW YORK, Feb. 29.—Wireless messages were received about 8 o'clock that evening. Its text was:

"German steamer is attacking shipping in the Atlantic and may be assisted by captured vessels which she armed. Description 6000 tons, speed 15 knots, combination freight and passenger steamer. Carries two guns and is posing as neutral."

The Communipaw was the centre of sensational rumors last December, when it was reported that she had been attacked and sunk by a submarine in the Mediterranean. After some days during which Washington tried to vainly ascertain her whereabouts she sailed into Algiers and her captain denied that any attack had been made.

"A ship calling Caw and reported being chased by a suspicious ship which she believes to be a German raider. Position Wch and Wm. Course west."

The Communipaw was some miles south of the Azores when this message was received. At noon a signal message, apparently from the same ship, arrived. It said: "Altered course to Wm and Nha."

## FEARS FOR OUR FUTURE

LIGGETT SAYS TRUSTEISM HURTS BUSINESS IN NEW ENGLAND—MEN LACK INITIATIVE

BOSTON, Feb. 29.—The Hyde Park Business Men's association at its monthly meeting and banquet last evening in Liberty hall, Hyde Park, was addressed by Louis K. Liggett, president of the Boston chamber of commerce, on "The Man Behind the Gun."

Mr. Liggett deplored the lack in New England of moneyed men with sufficient initiative to develop home industries, and intimated that this section of the country was being commercially strangled by "trusteism."

"The conclusion that I have personally reached is that too much effort is given toward bringing business to any community. It is better for us to advise our own community of our advantages so that men will have the desire to develop their business at home, rather than seek free locations, free taxes and numerous other things that so often prove to be a false economy."

"We are an old community. We'd come to this section before any other section in the country. Wealth usually brings conservatism, because inherited

We have eight workmen in our repair department. WHY?

*Pyle*  
JEWELER  
LOWELL, MASS.

SHOCK BEARD IN BILLERICA

The shock from the explosion which

wrecked the war plant in North Wo-

burn at 1 o'clock this morning was

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## THE MASQUERADE PARTY PRESENTED AT MERRIMACK SQUARE THEATRE BY THE Y. M. C. A. AUXILIARY



NELL DRINKLEY GIRLS.

Left to right: Miss Marriet Black, Miss Lillian Peterson, Miss Mac Burger, Miss Cora Anderson, Miss Margaret Kimball and Miss Edith Brown.

Photo by Marion Studio.

"The Masquerade Party" given last evening at the Merrimack Square theatre by 200 Lowell people in aid of the Y.M.C.A. auxiliary drew a large audience and was very successful. Some of the specialties were very attractive and there were enough to satisfy the most critical. There was also variety and versatility up to the limit and running over, and if one did not like a specific act, patience good. The amateur productions are not judged by the professional standard, flaws, omissions and mix-ups only add to the fun, and the audience last evening was unusually gracious.

The drama or comedy had the most meagre of plots, just enough to keep the vaudeville specialties together, but some of these specialties were so good that one forgot the story and applauded or laughed with the rest. Considering the short time used in rehearsing and the exacting nature of the play, Miss Rosella Zura, the author and director, did excellent work with her company.

The plot has to do with the mischievous interference of a brother and sister with the plans for a masquerade party. They exchanged confidences, gave away secrets, mixed everybody up and duplicated disguises until the principals were bewildered and ran into all manner of complications.

There are many farce touches, and three or four love stories that keep up the interest until some unrelated specialty sends the plot soaring into the empyrean. The boy is one of a troupe of college boys, and the girl is one of a large group of pretty maidens from school so beauty, youth and

Jilligan run riot.

Miss Margaret Garvey and Paul Hillman were respectively, Susie and John Weber, Jr., brother and sister of the cast, and both were excellent. Miss Garvey made a pretty picture of girlish artlessness and Paul Hillman acted with a sang froid that was quite professional. His enunciation was excellent, his acting was natural and his facial expression was the key to every situation in which he took part. Miss Hazel Wirt was a sweet, slightly bewildered "Grace Leland" and her song "Heart of Hearts" with Paul Hillman was charmingly rendered. There was a spirited group of college boys bearing their learned professor, Christopher Hartford, and a darling little Cupid, Master Allan Milton Ma-

guire, who touched many hearts besides those in the chorus. The first act also introduced George Upton as a handsome college chap, Winfield Hanson as John Weber, Sr., who was adequate to the part and Donald Hanson who was excellent as Parson Smith. In voice, action and repressed emotion, he was convincing and his touches of comedy were always acceptable. Mabel Kendrik was satisfactory in the role of Mother Weber, and Mrs. Annabelle Savage Robbins was a captivating Mrs. Lovell who loved the parson.

The second act introduced Aunt Matilda, played by Mrs. Lillian Dodge Haskell most acceptably. She was easily the hit of the production, and many famous professional "spinsters" would fall short of her standard. Her effects were due to intelligence and a real sense of comedy and she merited all the applause which greeted her generously. One could not help regretting that the piece did not give her a greater opportunity to display her power of comedy. Among the other principals were James McDonald as Rough Rider, Mrs. Lillian Salmon Spence as Senora, Miss Agnes Osterman as Columbia and Alfred Schmeidell as Uncle Sam.

There were so many excellent specialties that it is not easy to do them justice in a limited space, but the Wood Nymphs come in for first mention. Their act was pretty and artistic. Very fine also was the work of the Indian Maid and Braves, and the splendid specialty of the Spanish dancers. The Colonial Dames, the Dutch Kids and the Irish Colleens were captivating, each group in its way, and the pajama chorus of the Nell Drinkley girls was charming. The Rosebuds and Cherry Blossoms were all that the names imply.

The one regrettable feature of the evening was the needless introduction of an offensive burlesque which was as unkind as it was uncalled for. Of course no deliberate offense was intended, but acts such as that of the "cock" and her supporting chorus have been protested against so frequently and persistently that an intelligent producer should be aware of the fact.

Comedy that hurts is cheap and sorry comedy, and if there were any cooks in the audience last evening, they did not feel flattered by the sharp stick comedy of "Bridget Fitzpatrick" and her supporting chorus, each member of which, indeed, was well chosen for the part. The ladies who laughed last evening at the rampant vulgarity of Helen Casey and her sister cooks may well wonder why the housework problem is getting to be so serious and why so few Bridget Fitzpatricks take up an occupation which is so burlesqued and misrepresented. The frequent references of the cook last evening to her many odors, her jumping jack antics, her Old Howard "brogue" and her cheap appeals to thoughtless bitarity offended good taste and exceeded the bounds of legitimate comedy. Such an act will not appeal favorably to any large section of the Lowell population.

**Cast of Characters.**

The cast and chorus were as follows:

Grace Loveland, the boarding school

Floyd ..... Miss Hazel Wirt

Billy O'Donnell, an unusual college

chap ..... George Upton

Susie Weber, Jr. ..... Paul Hillman

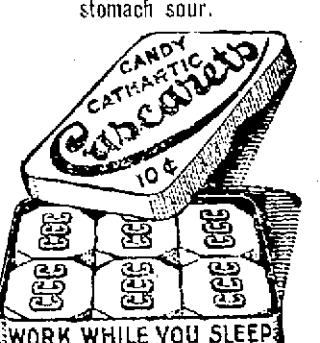
John Weber, Sr. ..... Chas. Hartford

Uncle Sam ..... Master Allan Milton Ma-

## BEST FOR LIVER, BOWELS, STOMACH, HEADACHE, COLDS

Theyiven the liver and bowels and straighten you right up.

Don't be bilious, constipated, sick, with breath bad and stomach sour.



Tonight sure! Take Cascarets and enjoy the easiest, gentlest liver and bowel cleansing you ever experienced. Wake up with your head clear, stomach sweet, breath right and feeling fine. Get rid of sick headache, biliousness, constipation, furred tongue, sour stomach, bad colds. Clear your step and feel like doing a full day's work. Cascarets are better than salts pills or calomel because they don't shock the liver or grip the bowels or cause inconvenience all the next day.

Mothers should give creosote, sick bilious, feverish children a whole Cascaret anytime as they can not injure the thirty feet of tender bowels.

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## WOULD GIVE CITY LAND

Bridge Over Concord to Carlisle  
Shop if East Chelmsford Will Annexed—Other Advantages

It is up to the citizens of Lowell to further the plans for the annexation of portions of the town of Chelmsford to this city for the majority of the people of North Chelmsford and East Chelmsford are anxious to become citizens of Lowell, said a resident of the town.

Eventually Lowell will have to secure more territory if it intends to rank with the foremost cities in the state, for the trend of population is to the suburbs, and Lowell's slight gain in population during the last decade is but another evidence of the fact that people who work in this city and prefer to be citizens of Lowell have moved to the suburban towns where some have erected homes while others have rented places.

These people, however, are not satisfied with the town conditions. Owing to the fact that the fire service is poor, the insurance rates are high and some people rather than pay the excessive rates prefer to run the risk of their property being destroyed by fire. Better protection is needed, education facilities are lacking and city water is desired.

George L. Huntington, whose business interests are in Lowell, but who lives just over the line in East Chelmsford, very strongly in favor of annexation and while he feels that East Chelmsford should become a part of Lowell he also believes that North Chelmsford should also be included, and he says a majority of the people there are willing to be annexed.

In conversation with a representative of the Sun, he said: "Lowell is going backward instead of forward, and it is all due to the lack of territory. When I first came to Lowell it was the only city in the state, and it is ranked sixth in population. It is about one-third the size of Worcester. Lowell should acquire more territory, and if it does not, it will not be long before it will be restored to its rightful place—second or at least third city of the state."

"With additional territory more industries will come to Lowell and the increase in the number of new concerns also means an increase in population. What Lowell needs is new industries which will employ skilled labor, men

### Rosebud

Grace Lynn ..... Carolyn Bettillo

Muriel Parker ..... Mildred Manning

Beatrice Dohler ..... Bernice Raynor

Glenna Pratt ..... Elma Rondeau

Spanish Dancer

Harold S. Dunn ..... Hazel Stevens

P. A. Richardson ..... Alice McDonald

A. J. Kilpatrick ..... Alfred Tinker

Howard Whipple ..... Ruth Choate

Colonial Dames

Irene Dodge ..... Eva French

Mildred French ..... Alice Crompton

Colonial Squires

Wm. Allen, Jr. ..... Howard Ingham

Percy McMasters ..... A. Schmeidell

Nell Blinckley Girls

Cora Anderson ..... Edith Brown

Harriet Black ..... Margaret Kimball

Lillian Peterson ..... Alice McMullan

Irish Colleens

Nellie Peterson ..... Evelyn Regan

Madeline Day ..... Anastasia Murphy

College Boys

Miles Dallison ..... Paul McGregor

Arthur W. Spence ..... A. Thompson

H. E. Duane ..... Augustus Dutton

Allan E. Fails ..... Roland E. Falls

E. A. Bartlett ..... Robt. J. Matthews

C. A. Fletcher ..... L. J. French

C. R. Clements ..... W. H. Clegg

F. E. Silcox ..... W. B. Martin

Samuel Babilan ..... Carter Hoyt

Ustensils

Henry Adams ..... Earl Cameron

Harold Hardy ..... Chaperones

Mrs. S. W. Hands ..... N. E. C. Midgley

Miss M. Taylor ..... Mrs. J. T. Roy

Mr. G. P. Taylor ..... Mrs. J. Ingham

Madeline Hall ..... Mrs. C. Pinkham

Mrs. P. Hands ..... Mrs. G. D. Lawson

Mrs. N. Huntley ..... Mrs. N. Huntley

Country Bunchkins

Guy McCloud ..... Muriel Crompton

H. E. Duane ..... Kay Stanley

E. P. Gregor ..... Kathryn Egan

E. E. Fails ..... Alice McManus

Miles Dallison ..... Muriel Leach